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SINGAPORE BASE NOT FOR LOCAL DEFENCE?

World Broadcast Opinion Of Mr. H.V. Hodson

Mr. H. V. Hodson, in his fortnightly broadcast on "World Affairs" relayed from Daventry through ZBW last night, raised the question, where does local defence end and international defence begin? That question, he said, seemed to be at the bottom of Imperial defence. Mr. Hodson cited as an example the Singapore Base. For whose local defence was Singapore designed? he asked. Not for the Straits Settlements. For Hong Kong then, and for the British interests in the ports of China. The Singapore Base would surely be just as necessary even if Hong Kong were not British, for, after all, the Colony was about 1,400 miles away from Singapore, so how could it be called a local defence.

BRITISH FLYERS' SECRET MISSION

Left Plane Elsewhere

Two British airmen are flying through the Far East on a secret mission and quietly arrived in the Colony yesterday, and they are now staying at the Hong Kong Hotel.

Flight-Lieut. C. H. A. Colman, R.A.F.O., is a representative of the Airspeed (1934) Limited of The Airport, Portsmouth, and he is being accompanied by Mr. W. F. Locke, an aviation engineer. The pair arrived in China by steamer and were unwilling to reveal where they have left their airplane.

Both Flight-Lieut. Colman and Mr. Locke started out from Portsmouth a fortnight ago, carrying a lady passenger whom they dropped off in India. They then continued their flight to a destination

The Singapore Base, said Mr. Hodson, was not designed for local defence in a narrow sense but it formed part of a world-wide link in the defence system.

In a very broad sense all Imperial defence was local defence. If the outposts of the British Empire were weakened then the burden on Imperial defence was made greater. In the eastern Mediterranean there was a larger element of local defence.

In the course of his broadcast, Mr. Hodson referring to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain's announcement a few days ago in the House of Commons that Great Britain

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where they left their plane in safe-keeping before coming out to China.

Interviewed by a representative of the "Daily Press," both Flight-Lieut. Colman and Mr. Locke denied that their visit bore any significance regarding airport development in Hong Kong.

FULL BUSINESS SESSION AT NANKING CONFERENCE

Five Committees Appointed To Examine Resolutions

Finance Ministry Votes \$85,600 For Expenses Of Session

Shanghai, February 16.
MR. YU YU-JEN presided at this morning's session of the Central Executive Committee. General Chiang Kai-shek was again absent. The session appointed five committees to examine the resolutions submitted and the following were appointed chairman and vice-chairman respectively:—

First: Party's Affairs Committee, Chen Li-fu and Chen Kung-po; Second: Political Affairs, Shao Li-tse and En Ke-pai; Third: Economic Affairs, Dr. H. H. Kung and Li Wen-fan; Fourth: Educational Affairs, Wu Chih-hua and Wang Shih-chien; Five: Military Affairs, General Ho Ying-ching and General Chu Pei-teh.

Mr. Chu Cheng, president of the Judicial Yuan, reported on the work of the standing committee of the Central Executive Committee for the past half year.

Dr. H. H. Kung, reported on the work of the National Government, while written reports were received concerning the activities of various party government organisations.

It is understood that the Ministry of Finance appropriated \$85,600 for expenses of the session.

The Committee met separately this afternoon.—

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IMPORTANT SESSION AHEAD

Nanking, Feb. 16.

The first full business session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang Party was held this morning, when about 200 members were present to hear the party governmental and military report.

The most important day is likely to be to-morrow, when the second business session will receive resolutions, some of which are of a controversial nature.—

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SERIOUS DELIBERATIONS

Nanking, Feb. 16.

The C.E.C. third plenary session today began serious deliberations on party and political affairs. Important resolutions were formally submitted to the session this morning for adoption.

There will be no change of personnel of the Nanking Government, and the foreign policy will continue as before, it is reported. The most important decision is to fix a date to convene the

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FAMOUS GENERAL ARRIVING TO-MORROW

Alterations In Programme

Owing to the fact that the arrival of the P. and O. s.s. Naldora has been delayed, and that she will now berth at Kowloon Wharf at 6 p.m. to-morrow instead of 9 a.m. to-day as originally expected, some slight alterations have had to be made in the programme, drawn up by the Royal Ulster Rifles, for the reception of General Sir Alexander John Godley and Lady Godley, who are due here on a visit to the Regiment of which Sir Alexander is the Colonel.

If the liner arrives at Kowloon according to schedule to-morrow, General Godley will be received by a guard of honour provided by his Regiment, but if there should be any delay in the arrival of the Naldora, this ceremony will be dispensed with.

On Friday at 11 a.m., General Godley will inspect the Regiment on the Polo Ground, Boundary Street, when he will present the long service and good conduct medals. He will then visit the Sergeants' Mess and Institutes. The cocktail party, by Mrs. Rodwell and officers' wives in honour of Lady Godley, has, we were informed, been cancelled.

On Friday evening a dinner in honour of the distinguished visitors will be given at Flagstaff House, and on the following day Sir Alexander and Lady Godley will attend the opening day of the Annual Race Meeting. In the evening they will be the guests of honour at a dinner at Government House.

On Sunday, they will attend the Fanling Hunt and it has been tentatively arranged for them to pay a visit to Canton before they leave the Colony on Tuesday, 23rd, inst.

SHOE MAGNATE EXPECTED

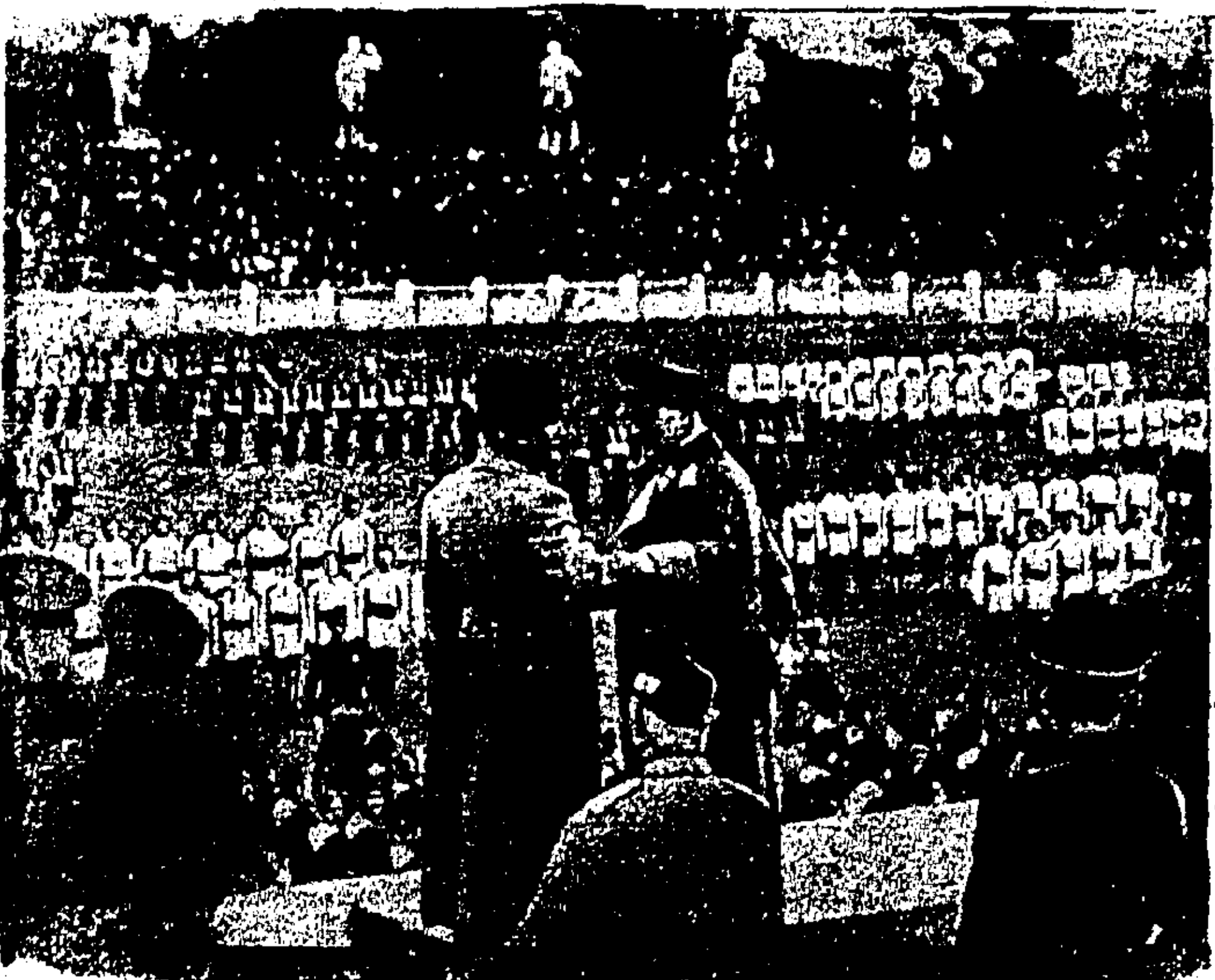
Round-The-World Business Flight

Mr. Y. A. Bata, owner of the world-famous Bata Shoe Company, is making a leisurely business tour of the world in a large Lockheed-Electra passenger plane in which he arrived in Saigon two days ago. He was expected to arrive in Hong Kong yesterday afternoon according to plan but no cable has as yet been received by the Bata Shoe Company office here reporting his departure from the French Indo-China capital.

Mr. Bata is being accompanied by the Far Eastern manager of his company, besides a personal doctor and a secretary, while the crew of the plane comprises two pilots, a radio-operator and a mechanic. The party left Zlin, Czechoslovakia, on January 6 and since then have visited numerous countries in Europe, Africa and Asia. After Hong Kong they will fly to Shanghai, then on to Manchukuo and Japan, from where a steamer will carry them to the United States prior to their return to Europe.

"CALLING THE BLUFF"

SEE LEADING ARTICLE ON PAGE 1.



Benito Mussolini, the Italian Duce, and General Goering in the Forum during Mussolini's recent visit to Italy.



Graf Luckner, of war-time fame as commander of the "Seeadler," and known under the name of "Sea Devil," will again undertake a cruise around the world. He will, in course of his trip, make a film of a battle with sharks, and at every port will lecture on "The New Germany." (Transocean Photo.)

DEAF AND DUMB "GRADUATES"

Demonstration In Hong Kong

With a view to making known the success of the Peiping Deaf and Dumb School, the founder and principal of the School, Mr. To Man-cheong has arrived in the Colony with two "graduates" to give a public demonstration of the advantages of the methods adopted by the school.

According to Mr. To there are no Government schools for the proper instruction of the deaf and dumb in China. He hopes by touring the whole country and publicly demonstrating the possibility of intelligent understanding between deaf and dumb mutes, he will be able to get the Government and the public interested.

After a week's stay in Hong Kong, Mr. To Man-cheong will proceed to Singapore and other places in the South Seas.—

Chinese Evening Press.

URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

Applications For Licences

The fortnightly meeting of the Urban Council was held in the Urban Council Chamber yesterday afternoon and was attended by the following:—Mr. R. R. Todd (Chairman); Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, C.M.G. (Vice-Chairman); Hon. Mr. T. H. King (Inspector-General of Police); Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, Mr. W. N. T. Tam, Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. C. J. Roe (Secretary), and Mr. Im Ping-tseung (Assistant Secretary).

A letter from Government relative to the election of Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto to be a member of the Urban Council for a term of three years was laid on the table.

The following applications for licences were deferred for the Council's decision at the next meeting:—

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THE DOLLAR

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London Silver Market

London, Feb. 16.
(From Our Own Correspondent)
London silver prices to-day were down 1/16 as follows:—
Feb. 15 Feb. 16
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House Of Peers Sensation

Tokyo, Feb. 16.
A sensation was caused in the House of Peers to-day when Mr. Kishichi Kokubo questioned the Minister for Home Affairs, Mr. Kakachi Kawarada, on the subject of encroachment of human rights. Mr. Kokubo declared that he spoke from personal experience and gave a graphic description of third degree and other incidents last year in Omori, Kagoshima, Iwate and Kanagawa Prefectures, when the police extracted confessions from persons alleged to have infringed election laws.

He declared that water torture to the nostrils, hanging from the feet, branding the forehead with hot irons and severe kicking with heavy boots were some of the methods used by the police.

It is alleged that the members of the Hirota Cabinet have been indifferent to such inhuman proceedings.

Mr. Kawarada replied that the Government and police officials responsible for these incidents have been punished, and the Government intends to eliminate such procedure in future.—

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COMBINED MANOEUVRES IN HONG KONG

Large Scale Operations

The big operations in Singapore being over, the China Fleet is now on its way back to Hong Kong, and in the very near future the annual combined manoeuvres will take place here when practically the whole of the China Squadron will take part in either attacking or defending the Colony.

From a reliable source it is learned that the operations this year will be on a larger scale than any that had been held previously.

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Royal Visit To Olympia Fair

London, Feb. 16.

The King and Queen, Queen Mary, the Duke and Duchess of Kent and Princess Royal to-day toured the Olympia section of the British Industries Fair and thoroughly inspected the Empire section. They made a lengthy stay at the Malayan stands.

Queen Mary was interested in models of oil palm, fruits and numerous products made therefrom.

The Duke of Kent was delighted with the illuminated panorama and recalled his visit to Malaya as midshipman.

The King commented on the surprising array of rubber products and said for Malaya's sake

he was glad that the industry was again prosperous.—

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QUEEN AT WHITE CITY

London, Feb. 16.

Queen Elizabeth visited the textile section of the Industries Fair at White City and made a number of purchases including silk stockings. The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester will be visiting the heavy industries section at Birmingham to-day, while a large royal party including Their Majesties, Queen Mary, Princess Royal and Duke and Duchess of Kent are touring Olympia.

The attendance on the opening day was a thousand more than the corresponding day last year.—

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Population Of Great Britain

By 1917 the population of Great Britain will have fallen to 38,500,000, according to figures given by Mr. F. J. C. Honey, of the National Confederation of Employers' Organisation, in a paper read to the Institute of Actuaries in London last month.

Mr. Honey estimated that the maximum population in these islands will be reached in about 1941. Then will begin the decline. He pointed out that the fall in the birth rate is not confined to Great Britain, or even Europe, but is part of a world-wide movement.

Discussing the future birth rate in Great Britain, Mr. Honey pointed out that the rate per 1000 of married women under 45 had fallen practically continuously in England and Wales since it reached its peak in 1876, with the exception of a short period immediately after the end of the war. After that disturbance had subsided, indeed, the rates seemed to continue at the pre-war level.

"The general standard of living and the real value of wages have been higher since the war than at any time in our history," he said. "In comparison with pre-war days,

the general population is in a superior economic position and could afford to bring up children more easily than their parents could.

"The proportion of elderly persons in the population will undoubtedly rise, and the burden of keeping them will press more heavily on the working population in the future than it does at present.

"It seems unlikely, therefore, that there will be an increase in the birth rate in the future. The practice of birth-control, while undoubtedly fairly general, is not yet universal, and a gradual extension of the practice in all classes of the community is likely."

Mr. Honey places the peak of the population in 1941, when he estimates it will be 45,742,000, as compared with 44,705,300 in the 1931 census. By 1971 he estimates that the population will have fallen to 38,492,000.

"In my opinion," said Mr. Honey, "the estimates which I have put forward will only be materially falsified if the Government takes the most vigorous measures to encourage a higher birth rate."

Dartmoor As A National Park

Duchy's Attitude

The suggestion that Dartmoor should become a National Park has not been favourably received by the Duchy of Cornwall authorities, who are responsible for the administration of Dartmoor.

As previously reported, the suggestion was repeated at a meeting of Plymouth Chamber of Commerce by Mr. Raleigh Phillips, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England, and a resolution was sent to the authorities of the Duchy of Cornwall, asking for the maintenance of Dartmoor "in its unspoiled natural state." Mr. Phillips also criticised certain Dartmoor afforestation and water supply schemes.

The main criticism of the National Park suggestion is the cost of upkeep which the National Trust would have to bear if Dartmoor became public property. It is pointed out also that any water supply or other concession would have always been in response to a public need. They felt bound also to satisfy the demand for land by the Forestry Commission, which was established by Act of Parliament.

During the past fifty years, it

ITALIAN AID TO INSURGENTS

Commons Explanation

London, Feb. 15.

Answering a House of Commons question about Italian military aid to the insurgent forces in Spain, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs declared that, so far as he was aware, there was nothing to substantiate the suggestion that any attempt was being made to alienate the territorial integrity or political independence of Spain.—*British Wireless.*

Buckingham Palace Occupied

London, Feb. 15.

Their Majesties, the King and Queen, took up residence at Buckingham Palace to-night.

The royal removal was made with the least possible ceremony. Their Majesties will occupy the suite of apartments on the first floor formerly occupied by King George and Queen Mary.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

is claimed, the practice of enclosing part of Dartmoor forest has been forbidden, and the public enjoyment of Dartmoor has been carefully safeguarded

Coronation Decorations

The time set for the Coronation draws on apace, and it is essential that those who wish to display their loyalty then should be well prepared.

Actually there is not a great deal of time to spare for those who wish to take advantage of the special offers that are being made by British decoration specialists, and it is also requisite that they place their orders as quickly as possible in order that they may not be disappointed.

Fortunately, as we have said, it is possible to obtain parcels that enable quite nice displays to be made, and, as several ideas are shown as to how the material can be utilised to advantage, it is possible to select one that will suit any particular position.

There is one particular point that may be borne in mind by those who are contemplating taking this simple way of arranging for their patriotic decorations, and that is that the material included in the parcels has been specially treated to render it particularly suitable for use under tropical conditions.

HOW TO DECORATE

There is a charming variety about these parcels for they include a shield, five mounted flags, three lengths of bunting, two gold embossed crowns, and a large photograph of the Royal Family, material which can be arranged in a number of ways to secure a most effective display, and one which will win respect for the owner's patriotic sentiments.

That, of course, is one of the most important considerations as there will be many who will wish to show their patriotism during

the time round about the Coronation, but those who have not the necessary experience in such work will find it difficult to avoid being tawdry.

With such a parcel of material as we have described, however, these difficulties are obviated, and the result is a well-balanced symbol of one's devotion to the Crown.

There is the advantage, too, that the cost is quite moderate—the price of the complete parcel being 12s. 6d.—but that fact makes it all the more important that the order should be sent through without any delay.

Those who have the intention of making a somewhat more ambitious display will find that larger parcels can be arranged for, as well as schemes for displays on a big scale.

For public decorations organised by local authorities, shields must take a prominent place.

There are British firms who have specialised in the making of this form of decoration, paying special attention to the weather-resisting qualities of the material of which they are made.

One thing about them is that they are available in such great variety that a very fine scheme of decoration on an extensive scale can be arranged without very much trouble.

There is a considerable Empire interest in this form of decoration, for the firm of T. Robinson (The Ark), Ltd., have prepared shields bearing the arms of the Dominions and Colonies.

These shields can be supplied with or without flags, and of course garlands, valances, and other forms of decorations can be supplied with them.

NELSON AND NAPOLEON

Their Private Letters Worth Most

Though £4,000 for the log-book of the Victory was the highest price paid since the war for a Nelson relic, yet the rule holds for Nelson as it does for Napoleon—that the most valuable letters are those dealing with his private matters, states the "Manchester Guardian."

Letters to Lady Hamilton, like Napoleon's to Josephine or Marie Louise, tend to fetch the highest prices in the salerooms. There are none of these among the Duckworth papers, gathered by Nelson's friend Admiral Sir Thomas Duckworth, and to be sold at Sotheby's by the great-grandson, Sir George Duckworth-King, though among the Nelson letters in the collection Lady Hamilton is frequently mentioned.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

These letters all deal with public affairs, but they are full of the character of Nelson. The most valuable of them is probably one in which Napoleon and the siege of Acre are mentioned—"Buonaparte was shot in the leg . . . the siege is raised and the French are all dying of disease, thank God, so perish all villainy." This is expected to fetch £80. Napoleon is mentioned elsewhere also. "I hope," Nelson wrote in November, 1802, "we shall have peace for the present. A long one with Buonaparte cannot be expected," and, again, "I know no more of politics than a newspaper, but it appears that Buonaparte is mounted on such a capering mad horse."

A.P.F. CHAPMAN FINED

A.P.F. Chapman, the cricketer, was fined £5 with costs at Camberley, Surrey, for driving without due care at Camberley on December 18. His licence was endorsed.

He was also fined 10s. for failing to produce an insurance certificate.

Alfred John Knight, of Bagshot, a Post Office engineer, said that Chapman drove from side to side of the road, and travelled for some distance on the off side.

It was stated in defence that Chapman had lost his way, and was looking for a turning to the right.

A Curfew For The Dance-Mad Girl

Value Of Probation

How the probation system could be used to "make the punishment fit the criminal" was described by Mr. S. W. Harris, Assistant Under-Secretary of State to the Home Office. He was delivering the Clarke Hall lecture in the hall of Gray's Inn.

Sir Herbert Samuel, who in 1907, as Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Home Department, was responsible for the introduction of the Probation of Offenders Act, presided.

Mr. Harris suggested the following ways in which probation orders could be made to suit, not so much the offence as the offender:

"The man to whom drink is a temptation can be required to abstain from intoxicating liquor."

"The lad whose downfall is due to bad associates can be required to absent himself awhile from the vicinity of their company."

"The young woman to whom the dance-hall is a fatal attraction can be required to submit herself to a well-regulated curfew."

"The Silent Wife" He emphasised that the conditions imposed must not be unreasonable. A youth of 18 must not be expected to give up smoking cigarettes, to be at home every night, and to go to church every Sunday. The young cinema fan must not be required to deny himself Mickey Mouse and Laurel and Hardy for two years.

Mr. Harris quoted a case of a man and woman, charged jointly who were forbidden to speak to each other—with the result that they were married within a month. "It may be doubtful," he commented, "whether this is evidence of the failure of probation or of the merits of the silent wife."

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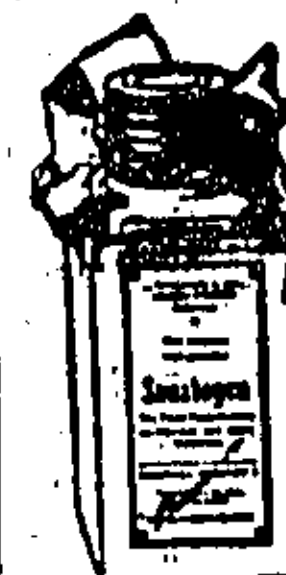
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Decision On Divorced Persons Described As "Contradiction Of The Prayer-Book"

The admission to Holy Communion of divorced persons who have remarried was again discussed in the Upper House of Convocation of Canterbury.

A few days previous, the House, by an overwhelming majority, passed a resolution that divorced persons who have remarried, innocent and guilty parties alike may be admitted to the sacrament. The Bishop of St. Albans (Dr. Furse) moved that no resolution under which divorced persons who have remarried during the lifetime of their former spouses may be admitted to Holy Communion shall be acted upon until the canon law and the relevant parts of the Book of Common Prayer have been amended by canon law made under licence from the Crown.

Whatever might have been the practice of individual bishops, or individual parish priests in the past, he said, whatever might have been the findings of the Lambeth Conference, the resolutions adopted were a grave departure from the general practice of the Church of England in the past, and the first of their kind ever to have been passed by the Upper House of Convocation.

Incidentally, they had given a blank cheque to the State that they would recognise any cause for divorce which a majority in Parliament might think they would make legal. In the judgment of the majority which passed the resolution the decision of one bishop ought to be accepted as final in the diocese, irrespective of what the conscientious convictions of other bishops or parish priests might be.

By the passing of the resolution it was now known all over the world that divorce and remarriage were not necessarily a bar to full fellowship of the Church. The Bishop of Ely (Dr. Heywood) seconded. The House, he said, had, by its resolution, in effect said that Christian marriage could be dissolved for other reasons than death. That was a plain contradiction of the Prayer-book. They were in the position of trying to reconcile irreconcilables. It was said four times in the marriage service that marriage was indissoluble except by death.

The resolution was defeated by an overwhelming majority, only the Bishop of St. Albans and the Bishop of Ely voting for it. The Upper House concluded its business.

GREAT WHITE SCOURGE

Care And After-Care Of Tuberculosis

An Empire conference on the care and after-care of the tuberculous which is being arranged by the Overseas League and Papworth Village Settlement, will be held at Over-Seas House, St. James's, from May 3 to May 8, states the "Times."

The conference, which has the highest medical patronage, is being convened because, among the many overseas visitors in London for the Coronation there will be a large number of medical men and women and others interested in tuberculosis. In view of the success of the Papworth Village Settlement, not only in arresting tuberculosis but in successful employment of the ex-patient in productive industry, there appears to be an urgent need for the study of similar methods throughout the Empire.

Lord Willingdon, who will be president of the conference, attended a meeting at Over-Seas House, at which the reason for convening the conference were explained by Sir Pendrill Varrier-Jones, medical director of Papworth Village Settlement.

CO-OPERATIVE ACTION

Lord Willingdon said that they wanted at the Coronation time to have a really big Empire conference of those who were interested in the subject, and to get co-operative action in all parts of the Empire for the care and after-care of the tuberculous. They had the warm approval of many Ministers of the Crown, of the heads of nearly all the Empire Governments, and of many distinguished people who were supporting the enterprise. Lord Dawson of Penn had agreed to take the chair at one of the sessions and Lord Horder would preside at another.

Sir Pendrill Varrier-Jones said that the response to the proposal had been immediate and enthusiastic. While tuberculosis was on the decline in Great Britain, in various parts of the Empire this was not the case.

ON EVERY FRONT

More and more it was being recognized that tuberculosis was a disease requiring to be combated on every front—social and economic as well as medical. Therefore, in the coming discussion he hoped that emphasis would be laid not only on clinical signs, X-ray indications, and so on, but also on living and working conditions.

Tuberculosis was productive of mental as well as physical disease. The victim, deprived of livelihood, was in extreme danger of contamination by subversive influences, and it was a question whether in the long run these were not even more dangerous to public security than the disease itself. For every reason the conference was necessary. They hoped that it might bring them nearer to the control and conquest of a disease which was as yet unconquered and which still threatened the health, the resources, and the future of the Empire.

EX-KING MAY BUY ENZESFELD Austrian Wedding Rumour

The likelihood that the Duke of Windsor will buy Enzesfeld Castle, the home of Baron Eugene de Rothschild, near Vienna, is being mentioned in Austria.

The Baron and Baroness are not in residence at the moment. They are visiting Paris. The Duke has made himself responsible for the upkeep of the Castle in their absence.

The Baron belongs to the great Rothschild family. His fortune is mainly Austrian but his Austrian affairs have not taken so much of his time recently that he must live there.

A Civil Wedding

The Duke of Windsor's fondness for Austria and Austrian people might lead him to settle definitely at Enzesfeld, or somewhere in the neighbourhood of Vienna.

But in spite of Austrian rumour it is learned that his marriage to Mrs. Simpson is not likely to be solemnised in the Legation church. It is far more likely that the marriage will be a civil ceremony, probably performed by the British Consul in Vienna.

The Duke is paying almost daily visits to Vienna, but he is taking no part in the life of the city. He is a private person on a holiday.

The Coronation

Allocating Seats In The Abbey

Although complex details have still to be determined, and invitations will not be sent out for another two months, the general scheme of seating in Westminster Abbey for the Coronation has now been decided.

There will be room for about 7,000 (or 7,500 with the choir). There will be more seats in the upper floor than in 1911, but, as the new organ occupies a greater space, the net gain will amount to only about 400; and there are many more who have some claim to attend the ceremony.

The principal allocation is that which places the peers in the south transept and the peeresses in the north in galleries on the first and second floor. They will sit in order of precedence, although the higher orders may not necessarily be on the ground, as a front seat in the second storey will give a better view than a back seat on the first. Guests of first importance, foreign royalties, foreign diplomats, Bishops, and Judges will sit in the choir seats and the angles between the nave and the transepts. Knights Grand Cross will (with peers under age) probably occupy equivalent seats on the floor above, while the third (the triforium) will be reserved for the masters and scholars of Oxford, Westminster School and the Press.

NEW GUESTS

The distribution of the other seats has not yet been decided; they include a large number in the nave which will command an excellent view of the processions, but will be cut off from the service by the choir-screen. The Earl Marshal has no reserved seats, but the prerogative of appointing about 300 gold staff officers who will act as ushers belongs to him. The list of applicants is now closed.

There are many more peers, peeresses, and dowagers than there were in 1911, and it is estimated that 1,500 in all will attend. The number of M.P.s and their wives, 1,000 approximately, remains about the same, but of

LADY MISSIONARY'S DEATH IN CHINA

The death is reported from Chefoo of Mrs. Herbert Hudson Taylor, who for many years was a missionary in China.

As Miss Jeanie Gray, Mrs. Taylor went to China from Scotland in 1884 under the China Inland Mission, and in the early years of her service she was in the province of Kiangsi in association with Miss Mackintosh, Miss Gibson, and Miss Macfarlane, three Scottish missionaries who are still on the active service list of the Mission. In 1888 she married the Rev. Herbert Hudson Taylor, eldest son of Dr. Hudson Taylor, founder of the China Inland Mission, and she and her husband worked for many years in the province of Honan.

After 50 years' ministry they retired from active service in 1934. They elected not to return to the homeland, but settled in the Port of Chefoo in China, where the China Inland Mission has its schools for children of the Mission. It was in these schools where Dr. Arthur Taylor, Scottish secretary, who is now a visit to China, spent some years.

Litvinoff's Official Inactivity

Moscow, Feb. 15.

The Soviet Foreign Commissar, Litvinov, for reasons of health, almost completely retires from his official duties. He is being represented by the deputy Commissar Gjestinsky, it is officially announced. Though Litvinov received the Finnish Foreign Minister Holsti, he otherwise limited his participation in official functions, which were arranged in connection with the former's visit, as much as possible.

Transocean News Service.

The increased total of Privy Counsellors and their wives 80 more are expected to be present, as well as 200 more Knights Grand Cross. The Air Force will make a new contingent, and there will be a bigger allocation for the Empire, the Civil Service, trade unions, and friendly societies.

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London, Feb. 15.

The special sub-committee set up last week under the international committee for the application of the agreement regarding non-intervention in the Spanish civil war met again late this afternoon at the Foreign Office to consider difficulties caused by the inability of the Portuguese Government to accept the proposed scheme for establishing international supervision of the land frontiers of Spain.

The Committee was still in session after four and a half hours.—
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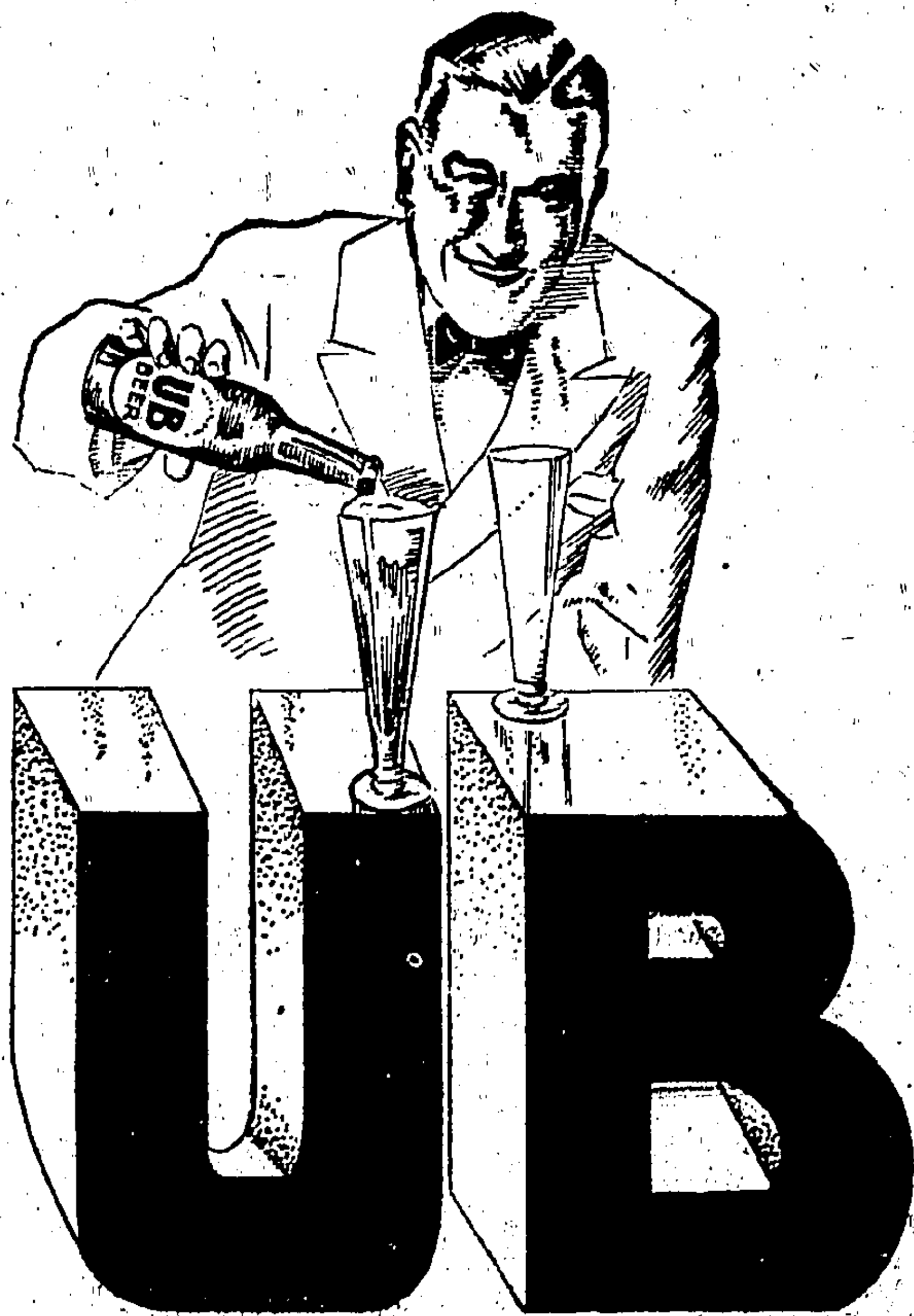
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12.30 p.m.—Dance music.
1 p.m.—Local: Time signal and weather report.
1.03 p.m.—Ina Souez and Renee Chemet (Violin).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press. Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Military Band Music with Alfred Picaver.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 11 p.m.—European programme.
7 p.m.—Tunes of Not-So-Long-Ago.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local stock quotations and Hong Kong exchange market report.
7.35 p.m.—The London Palladium Orchestra.
8 p.m.—Local: Time signal, weather report and announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Hawaiian Music.
8.18 p.m.—Selections by the Mills Brothers.
8.30 p.m.—"Casse Noisette" Suite (Tschalkowsky), played by the B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Percy Pitt.
8.55 p.m.—London: News and Announcements.
9.15 p.m.—Variety programme.
10 p.m.—London: Big Ben; Dance music.
11 p.m.—Close down.

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4.45 p.m.—"World Affairs," a talk by H. V. Hodson.
5 p.m.—The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra (leader Dannel Melsa); conductor, Eric Fogg.
5.40 p.m.—The News and Announcements.

Transmission II (G.S.H., G.S.G., G.S.B.).

Transmission 2 is designed primarily for reception in India, Ceylon, Malaya, and the Far East. It may also be heard in the West Indies and West Australia.
7 p.m.—Big Ben; World Affairs; A talk by H. V. Hodson.
7.17 p.m.—A Short Piano Recital, by Margareta Harvey-Samuel.
7.30 p.m.—The New Victoria Cinema Orchestra, directed by Sydney Phases, from Bradford.
8 p.m.—"The Vagabond Lover," presented by Max Kester, with the Bijou Orchestra, conducted by Ernest Longstaffe.
8.20 p.m.—A Talk on the British Industries Fair.
8.30 p.m.—Frank Walker and his Octet.
8.55 p.m.—The News and Announcements.
9.15 p.m.—The Birmingham Hippodrome Orchestra; conductor, Harry Fell.

Transmission III (G.S.H., G.S.F., G.S.B.).

Transmission 3 is designed primarily for reception in India, Burma, and Ceylon.
10 p.m.—Big Ben; "Mendelssohn in Kensington," the Barrington Quartet; Vera Siddons, soprano; Gladys Palmer, contralto; John Turner, tenor; George Pizzev, bass; Harry Isaacs, piano.
10.31 p.m.—"I Was There" (see Trans. I).
10.50 p.m.—The Metropolitan Police Band (by permission of the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis), conducted by Flight-Lieutenant J. H. Amers, M.B.E., Director of Music.
11.30 p.m.—"Hyde Park" (see Trans. I).
Midnight.—A Studio Concert.
12.30 a.m.—The News and Announcements.
12.50 a.m.—Dance Music.

BERLIN PROGRAMME

1.05 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB (German, English).
German Folk Song.
1.10 p.m.—Light Music.
2 p.m.—News in German.
2.15 p.m.—Light Music (cont'd).
2.55 p.m.—Greetings to our listeners.
3 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English.
3.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany Sound Pictures.
3.30 p.m.—Children's Hour: Who can do it best of all?
3.45 p.m.—German Winter Sport resorts: VI. Erz Mountains and Thuringer Forest.
4 p.m.—"The Flying Dutchman," Opera by Richard Wagner.
5.30 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German.
5.45 p.m.—Press Review.
Editor in Chief Hans Fritzsche.
6 p.m.—Songs by Richard Klatovsky.
Hilde Kretschmer, soprano the composer at the piano.
6.15 p.m.—Sign off DJA and DJB (German, English).
6.55 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB, DJN, DJE German Folk Song.
7 p.m.—Concert of Light Music.
8 p.m.—News in English.
8.15 p.m.—Concert of Light Music (continued).
8.55 p.m.—Greetings to our listeners in India.
9 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German and Call DJQ.
9.15 p.m.—The German way: Evening in Sanssouci.
10 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English on DJE, DJN, DJQ in Netherlandish on DJA, DJB.
10.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany: Sound Pictures.
10.30 p.m.—Solo concert: Juan Manen, violin.
11 p.m.—German Folk songs which have become the folk songs of Germans living abroad.
11.30 p.m.—Women's Hour: Preparations for my child on entering its school period. Practical suggestions.
11.45 p.m.—Press Review.
Editor in Chief Hans Fritzsche.
Midnight.—Sign off DJA, DJB, DJN, DJE, DJQ.

RADIO MANILA

K.Z.R.M.—618.5 k.c.—485 Metres. Owned and directed by Erlanger and Gallinger, Inc.
5.30 a.m.—Breakfast Hour of News and Music.
6.55 a.m.—New York Stock Quotations—Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
7 a.m.—Sign off.
9.30 a.m.—Nelson Financial Review and Musical Varieties.
11.15 a.m.—Sign off.
2.30 p.m.—Nelson Financial Review and Musical Varieties.
3.45 p.m.—Sign off.
6 p.m.—Records.
6.15 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.

BLOOD TEST FOR CANCER

Some Confirmation

The fact that the blood serum of patients suffering from cancer might be different from that of healthy subjects has led several investigators to devise tests but not many have survived critical examination.
"The Lancet," however, contains confirmation from the cancer research laboratory of the General Hospital, Birmingham, of a test first introduced some years ago by a German expert, Dr. H. J. Fuchs. This test depends upon the action of certain substances present in blood from cancer patients which react with the protein of normal blood.
In making the tests, it is necessary to exclude certain other disorders, such as tuberculosis, which affect the results but with such precautions it was found that in 53 patients with cancer the tests gave a correct answer in 50, and in 42 patients with no cancer, the test was correct in 38.
An interesting point arising from the result was that in cases of cancer of the skin a positive result was obtained by the Fuchs test, even when there was only a very small growth. This raises the hope that the reaction should be of value in relatively early cases of internal cancer at a time when operation might effect a complete cure.

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6.35 p.m.—English Informational Period.
6.55 p.m.—New York Stock Quotations—Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
7 p.m.—La Insular presents "Aires Filipinas" with Juan Siles, Jr. and his Moonlight Troubadors, and the Siles Sisters.
7.30 p.m.—Question Box Reporter.
7.35 p.m.—Studio Music.
7.40 p.m.—Programme Preview.
7.45 p.m.—Elizalde y Cia. presents Monserrat Iglesias—Marzoni, assisted by Julio Esteban—Anguita.
8 p.m.—Kilim Milky Way.
8.30 p.m.—Records.
8.40 p.m.—Manila Stock Quotations—Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
8.45 p.m.—Local Market Reports.
8.55 p.m.—Stock Quotations in Spanish—L. E. Nielson & Co.
9 p.m.—N.E.P.A. Programme.
9.30 p.m.—Tirso Cruz and his Manila Hotel Orchestra.
10 p.m.—Sign off.

RADIO AUSTRALIA

11.55 a.m.—A ball for ball description of the match England v. New South Wales.
12.30 p.m.—News Commentary by "The Spectator."
12.40 p.m.—Cricket, as above.
1.30 p.m.—Close down.
3.30 p.m.—Cricket, as above.
6 p.m.—Close down.
8.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.
8.45 p.m.—Sporting Session, Cricket Talk—England v. New South Wales.
7 p.m.—Chimes.
7.20 p.m.—National News Bulletin.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Ember Day.

Cinemas.
King's:—"The Gay Desperado."
Queen's:—"Wives Never Know."
Oriental:—"Magnificent Obsession."

World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"The Girl On The Front Page."
Majestic:—"The Poor Little Rich Girl."
Star:—"M'Liss."

Dances.—R. E. O. C. A. fortnightly dance, at Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
Cheero Club Dance, 8 p.m.

Entertainments.—Concert at Helena May, 5.30 p.m.
Meetings.—Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild Monthly Business Meeting, 10 a.m.

Miscellaneous.—Kowloon Tong Anglican Church Discussion Group in Church House, 8.30 p.m.; V. D. M. A. Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.

Religious.—St. Andrew's Church Lenten Service and Address, 9 p.m.; at St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.
Social.—Interport Chinese Chow, Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, 8 p.m.

Sports

Billiards.—Senior Championship: Pong Shiu-pui v. U. S. Santos (Kowloon C.C.), 8.30 p.m.

Football.—Eastern China v. Hong Kong F. A. XI (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m.; Second Division: Police v. R.U.R. (Kowloon), 4.15 p.m.; R.U.R. v. Club (Sookunpo), 4.15 p.m.; R.E. v. Kowloon (Club), 4.15 p.m.; Third Division: Kumsan R. v. R.A.O.C. (St. Joseph's), 2.45 p.m.

Hockey.—United Hockey "Tournament," Seaford Highlanders v. European Police (Sookunpo), 2.45 p.m.; Hong Kong Hockey Club v. R.W.F. (King's Park), 5 p.m.

Shooting.—Hong Kong Rifle Association Spon and Practice Shoot (Army Rifle Range, Kowloon City), 2 p.m.

Moon.—I Moon, 7th. Day
Sunrise.—6.54 a.m. Sunset.—6.21 p.m.

Tides.—High at 1.30 and 13.32; Low at 6.50 and 20.28.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Blessed Stephen, John and Companions of Tonking, and China.

Auctions.—Old and Surplus Naval Stores, at H. M. Naval Yard, H.K. and at Kowloon Naval Depot and Royal Naval Armament Depot, 9.30 a.m. and noon; Crown Lands, at Land Office, Ping Shan, 11.30 a.m.

Cinemas

King's:—"The Gay Desperado."
Queen's:—"Wives Never Know."
Oriental:—"Magnificent Obsession."

World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"The Girl On The Front Page."
Majestic:—"We Went To College."
Star:—"Silly Billies."

Lectures.—Theosophical Society, 8 p.m. "Is Beauty the Goal of the Arts?" by O. M. Parkinson; Illustrated Lantern Lecture by Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, St. Andrew's Hall, 9 p.m.

Meetings.—Annual, of Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., at Hong Kong Hotel, noon; Council Meeting of Society of St. Vincent de Paul, in Mission House, Calne Road, 5.45 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 3 p.m.; V.D.M.A. Visit to the Blind Girls' Home; H.K.C.G.C.C. Whist Drive, 9.20 p.m.

Rehearsals.—Philharmonic Society, "Street Singer," in Cathedral Hall, 8.45 p.m.

Sports

Billiards.—Junior Championship: Wong Pun-chi v. Man Chun-man or L. V. Antonio (Engineers' Institute), 8.30 p.m.
Moon.—First Quarter, 11.50 a.m.
I Moon, 8th. Day.
Sunrise.—6.55 a.m. Sunset.—6.20 p.m.

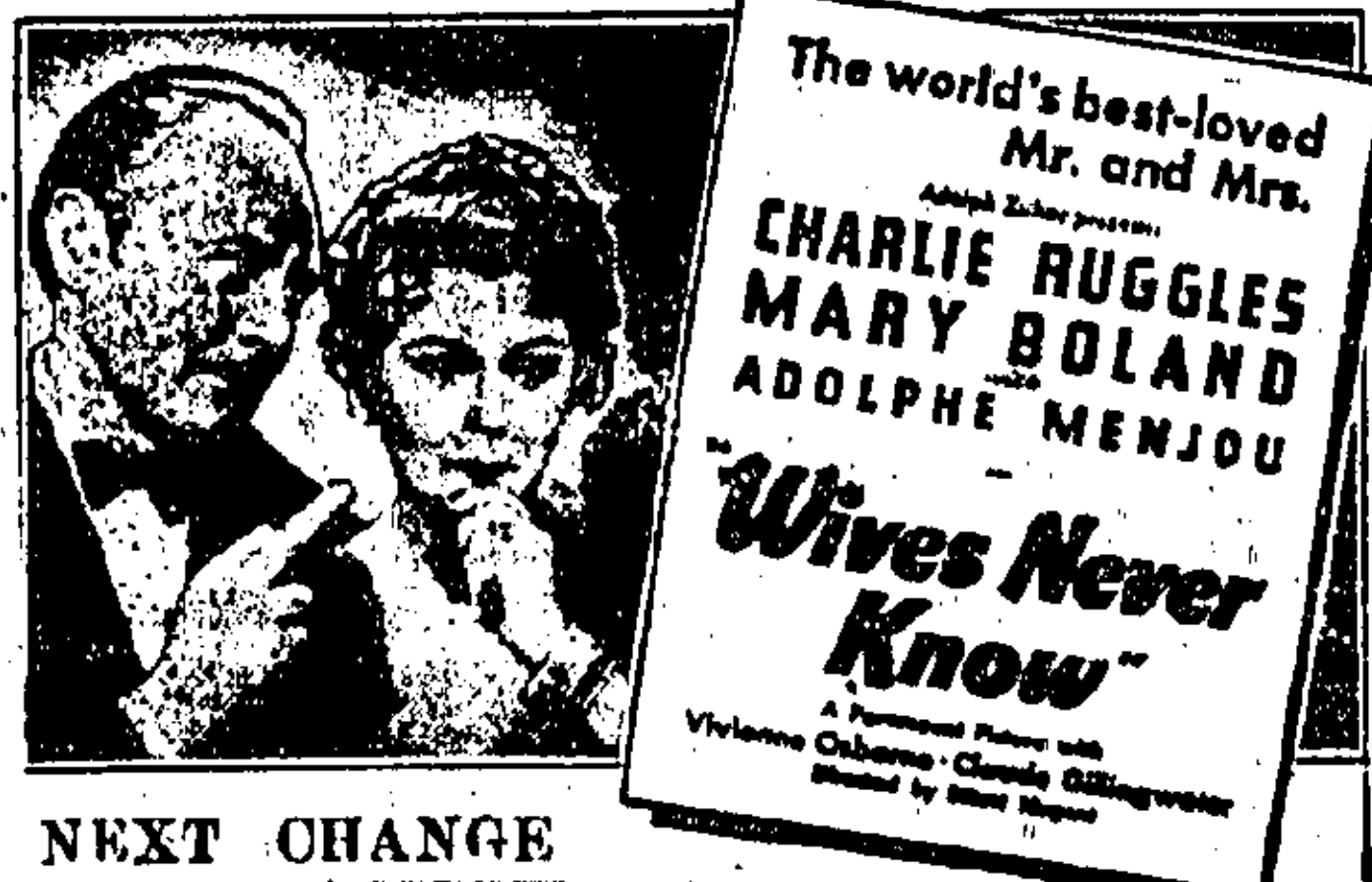
Tides.—High at 0.27 and 12.43; Low at 6.22 and 19.05.

7.30 p.m.—Victorian News Bulletin.
7.40 p.m.—Jim Davidson and the A.B.C. Dance Band.
8 p.m.—National Military Band.
8.30 p.m.—"These Were Hits"—by Jim Davidson and the A.B.C. Dance Band.
9 p.m.—A Play—"Spuds"
9.30 p.m.—Programme from the Melbourne Studios; Orchestra Programme.
10.30 p.m.—Australian News Service, including market and stock exchange reports.
10.45 p.m.—Meditation Music.
11.30 p.m.—Close down.

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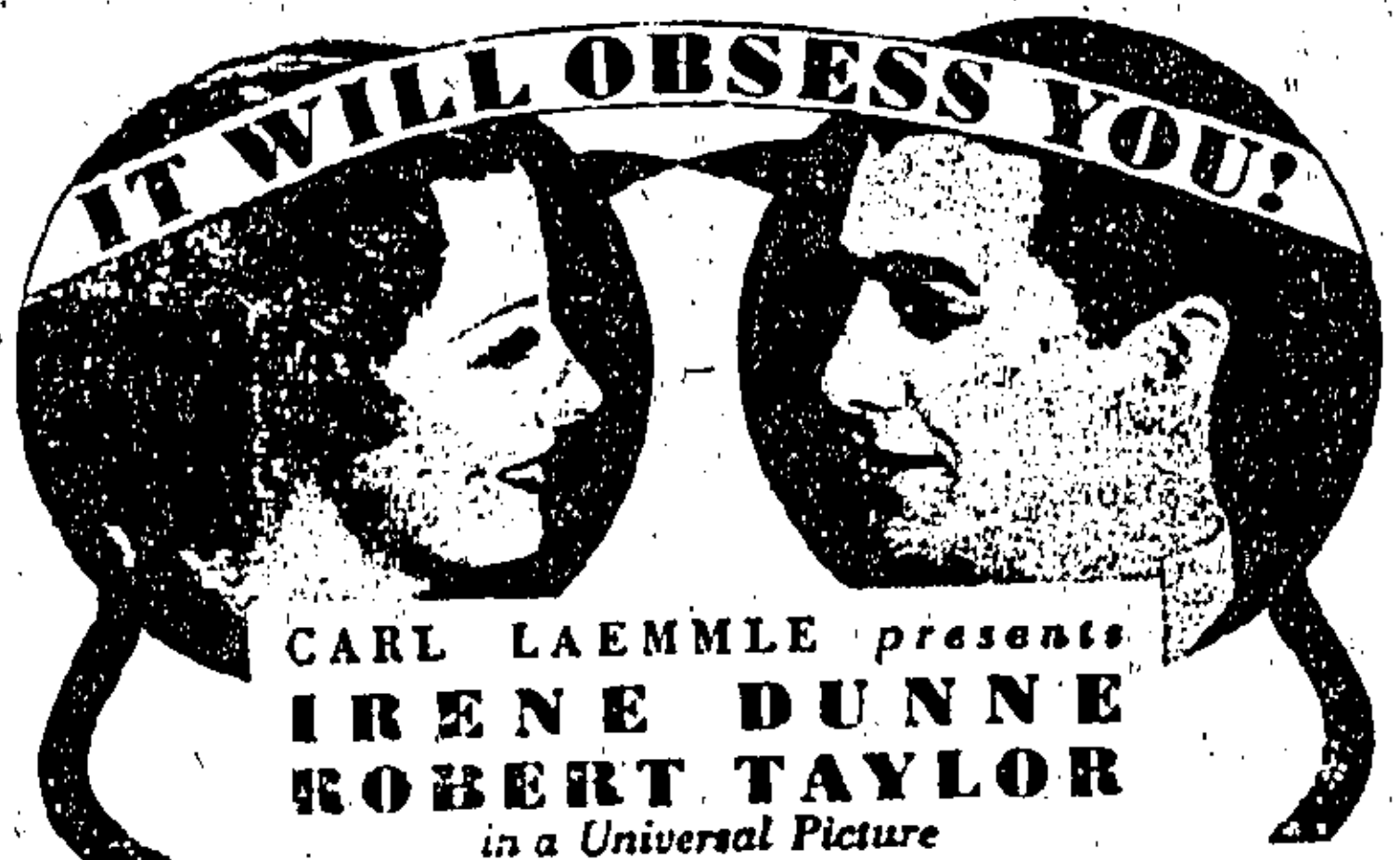
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Duke Of Norfolk Married

Crowds Outside The Church

The Duke of Norfolk, Premier Peer and Hereditary Earl Marshal of England, married Miss Lavinia Strutt, only daughter of Lord Belper and the Countess of Rosebery, at Brompton Oratory on January 27, states the "Times."

The actual wedding service lasted only six minutes, but the whole of the church—the largest Roman Catholic church in London apart from Westminster Cathedral—was crowded although only ticket-holders were admitted.

Members of the Royal Family who were present were: Prince Arthur of Connaught, Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, and Lady May Abel Smith with her husband. Many members of the Diplomatic Corps also attended.

Miss Strutt was given away by her father, and Lord Edon was best man to the Duke of Norfolk. The bride was attended by six bridesmaids—Lady Katherine and Lady Winifred Howard (sisters of the bridegroom), Lady Anne Bridgeman, Miss Pamela Digby, Miss Gillian Drummond, and Miss Nancy Malcomson—and six pages.

Outside the church large crowds gathered before the ceremony, and women broke through the police cordons and crossed the road in a rush to see the arrival of Miss Strutt as her car drove up to the church. Many others followed them across the road, sweeping the police cordon before them. The first group of women to reach the wall clutched the railings, but in a few moments they were being crushed by the rest of the crowd. Eventually mounted police succeeded in preventing any more people from crossing the road. The crowd at the railings was cleared away with some difficulty, and it was seen that none of the women was seriously hurt.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—
"The Gay Desperado"
QUEEN'S:—
"Wives Never Know"
ORIENTAL:—
"Magnificent Obsession"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"The Girl On The Front Page"
MAJESTIC:—
"The Poor Little Rich Girl"
STAR:—
"M'iss"

Coming

KING'S:—
"Gold Diggers of 1937"
QUEEN'S:—
"Go West Young Man"
ORIENTAL:—
"For The Service"
ALHAMBRA:—
"Can This Be Dixie"
STAR:—
"Silly Billies"
MAJESTIC:—
"We Went To College"

THE GAY DESPERADO

Romance, melody and laughter are the order of the day at the King's Theatre where Nino Martini, the handsome singing star appears in "The Gay Desperado."

A far cry from the usual film featuring an operatic song-bird, "The Gay Desperado," directed by the inimitable Rouben Mamoulian, is a fast-moving, thrill-packed story, laid below the Rio Grande.

A silvery-throated singer in a little Mexican movie house, Martini proves that he can act as well as sing. Martini is kidnapped by a bold, bad (and very ingenious) bandit who worships American gangsters and decides to adopt their methods, but is really a sentimental, music-loving chap at heart.

He attempts to pull off a real American style kidnapping and his victims are the son of a wealthy American family, James Blakeley, and his lovely sweetheart, Ida Lupino. Carrillo invites his American idol of the underworld, Butch the Blood, played by Stanley Fields to handle the ransom negotiations and then the fun begins! Martini and Miss Lupino fall in love and after a series of highly original and side-splitting situations, Martini effects the release of the victims in a novel and highly amusing way and the story ends on a joyous note.

WIVES NEVER KNOW

The most beloved husband and wife team in pictures "Charlie Ruggles and Mary Boland," returns to the screen of the Queen's Theatre in "Wives Never Know," first showing to-day.

With Adolphe Menjou playing the role of a serpent in the Garden of Eden, "Wives Never Know" deals with a happily married couple who take the advice of a self-appointed authority on love that they must go out of their ways to make their lives complicated in order to enjoy true happiness. What follows is a series of mishaps and misunderstandings which bring about complications which also almost wreck their marriage.

Things are brought to a side-splitting climax when Ruggles, thoroughly aroused and determined to clear up the mess, tricks the man who knew too much to get married into marrying the actress. Ruggles is returned to his niche as his community's Number One Husband, and Mary has the opportunity to know the sweetness of jealousy and the exultation which comes with forgiveness.

M'ISS

The romance, tragedy, humour, and exciting adventures that accompany a young girl's graduation to womanly maturity in an early California gold mining town are woven into co-starring drama for Anne Shirley and John Beal in the RKO Radio picture "M'iss."

The film is a free adaptation of the popular short story by Bret Harte which, with its companion pieces, made its author famous as the most forceful interpreter of

"Deeds" Acclaimed "Best Picture Of 1936"

New York critics acclaimed "Mr. Deeds Goes To Town," Columbia's production starring Gary Cooper-Jean Arthur and directed by Frank Capra, as the best picture of 1936.

Eighteen of the city's film critics, representing thirteen metropolitan newspapers, continuing their annual custom, met on January 4, at the Hotel Victoria, New York City, and balloted on the list of productions, best individual players, best direction and best foreign picture.

Among the newspaper reviewers who took part in the proceedings were Frank S. Nugent and John T. McManus of the New York Times; Kate Cameron and Wanda Hale of the Daily News; William Beehnel of The World Telegram; Rland Johnson of The Mirror; Regina Crewe and Robert Garland of The New York American; Howard Barnes and Marguerite Tazelaar of The Herald Tribune; Irene Thirer and Archer Winsten of The Post; Rose Polawick of The Journal; Leo Mishkin of The Morning Telegraph; Dorothy Gates of The Daily Worker; Winston Burdett of The Brooklyn Daily Eagle; Seymour Roman of the Brooklyn Times Union; and Edgar Price of the Brooklyn Citizen.

A gold medal was presented to Columbia Pictures by the critics at a reception at the Waldorf-Astoria on Sunday afternoon, January 24. The ceremonies with New York and Hollywood linked by radio, were broadcast with Richard Watts, Jr., of The Herald Tribune presiding.

The Frank Capra production was recently adjudged the best film of the year by the "Committee of Exceptional Photographs" of the National Board of Reviews; "The Parents' Magazine" and headed "The Selectors" list of "ten best American films" and "ten selections based on popular appeal."

Clarence Budington Kelland, authored "Mr. Deeds" and Robert Riskin did the adaptation. In the long list of prominent screen personalities included in the cast are Jean Dixon, George Bancroft, E.B. Warner, Lionel Stander, Douglass Dumbrille, Raymond Walburn, John Wray, Wylene Birch, Ruth Donnelly, Emma Dunn, Arthur Hoyt and Walter Catlett.

THE GIRL ON THE FRONT PAGE

Inheriting a large newspaper may seem to be a great deal of good fortune, but it has its drawbacks. "The Girl on the Front Page" discovers, in the Universal picture of that title, which opens to-day at the Alhambra Theatre.

A blackmail ring tries to set its claws on her and her wealth, threatening her happiness and reputation.

Another tribulation of the front page lady is her hard-tolled managing editor, with whom she is always squabbling. He has very definite ideas about how to run a paper and he does not intend to let any mere fema owner ruin the newspaper. The editor is portrayed by Edmund Lowe and the society heiress is played by Gloria Stuart.

Romance enters the city room of the publication, but the editor almost drowns it in printers' ink. David Oliver is Edmund Lowe's office boy, who attempts to double as Dan Cupid's assistant.

The climax of the picture is reached when Gloria Stuart and Edmund Lowe trap the blackmailers. The editor, like Homer, nods for a moment. Then he discovers that he is married to a mere female and he rather likes the idea, and gets to believe she is a special feature edition.

the life and people of California's gold era.

Eighteen year old Anne Shirley, who portrays the part of the untamed mountain girl, M'iss, has previously created, for the same studio, leading roles in "Anne of Green Gables" and "Chatterbox." John Beal has been scoring on Broadway where he withdrew in mid-run from the lead in the hit, "Russet Mantle," to accept this costarring role opposite Miss Shirley.

These two young players are supported by a cast headed by Guy Kibbee (as M'iss' good natured, worthless, and constantly inebricated father, Washoe) Moroni Olsen, Douglass Dumbrille, Frank M. Thomas, Barbara Pepper, Arthur Hoyt, James Bush, and Margaret Armstrong.

Brilliant Schedule For Grace Moore

Although production of Grace Moore's current picture, "When You're In Love" has caused the postponement of the two engagements with the Chicago Opera company, set for December and a national broadcast that was to have taken place at about the same time, Columbia's screen star still has a musical programme scheduled for the new year that is probably the most imposing of her brilliant career.

Her first appearance was on January 10 on a national radio concert, followed on January 18 by an appearance at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City. One of the most colourful of these Metropolitan appearances will be a benefit performance for the French Hospital in New York.

Early in February Miss Moore returned to Hollywood for another picture at Columbia Studios, which will keep her busy through February, March and part of April.

On April 24, the singing star will sail for Europe for her third annual invasion of the continent. Her first appearance will be in a gala concert at Albert Hall, London, on May 3, in connection with the coronation of King George VI celebrations.

Four appearances will follow at the Opera Comique and the Grand Opera in Paris, to be followed by a performance with the State Opera company in Vienna and a special performance for Admiral Horthy, Premier of Hungary. Miss Moore will be the first American star to appear with the State Opera. A long list of concert engagements in the capitals of Europe will follow, climaxed by an appearance before King Carol of Rumania, one of the few European monarchs for whom she has not sung in the past. Miss Moore expects to return to America in the early fall.

POOR LITTLE RICH GIRL

Alice Faye to hi-de-ho with! Jack Haley to tap-a-toe with! Gloria Stuart to laugh and cry to!

Michael Whalen to make love to!

Add to these Sara Haden, Jane Darwell, Claude Gillingwater and Henry Armetta and you have the reason why Shirley Temple is literally "surrounded by stars" in "The Poor Little Rich Girl," her brilliant new Fox hit coming to-day to the Majestic Theatre.

Darryl F. Zanuck, chieftain of the Twentieth Century-Fox studios, so enthused over the story of "The Poor Little Rich Girl" that he determined to make it the greatest Shirley Temple picture ever to hit the screen.

Zanuck personally selected every member of the cast. Every prominent actor in Hollywood was considered for the various roles and after deciding that the above were the ideal players, Zanuck immediately opened negotiations to obtain them for the film.

In the picture, Michael Whalen plays Shirley Temple's immensely wealthy father who is too busy to pay much attention to his little girl. Shirley runs away and, after a series of highly entertaining adventures, is finally "adopted" by Miss Faye and Haley, a pair of out-of-work vaudeville performers hoping for a break on the radio.

How Shirley brings success to the team and romance to her daddy and Gloria Stuart, makes the brightest, most modern, and most deeply human story the little Temple miss has ever had.

Student "Snobbery"

Edinburgh University's magazine "The Student" charges the Students' Representative Council with "silly snobbery" in inviting the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, but none of the other English Universities, to the Fitzroy Bell celebrations next month. Oxford and Cambridge are the only Universities in Great Britain which do not possess a student body modelled on the lines of the Edinburgh S.R.C. "Such self-abasement is unnecessary," the editorial adds, "for we are celebrating a genuine achievement of our own, which the English provincial Universities have had the good sense to copy and in many ways improve."

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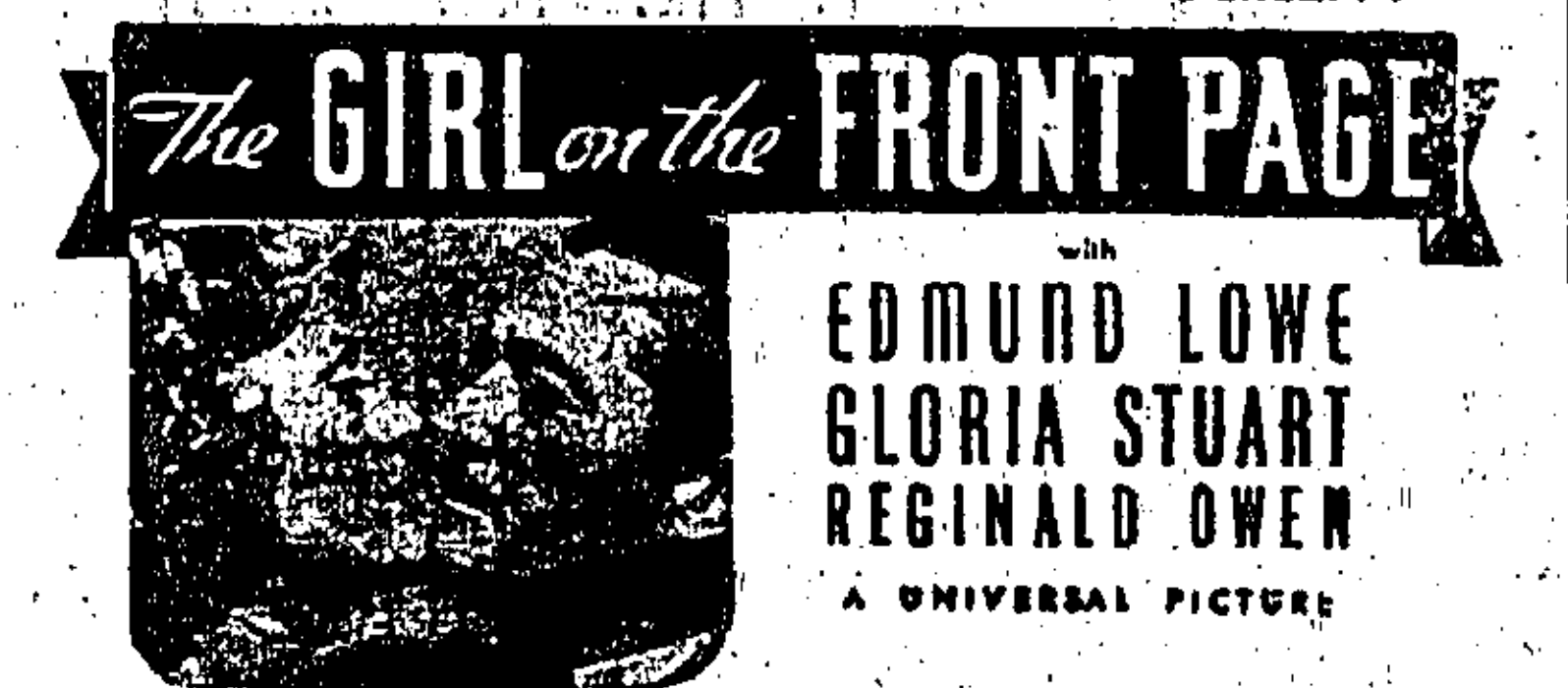
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SIR ANDREW CALDECOTT

Rapid Promotion

Fifteen months ago, on his fifty-first birthday, Sir Andrew Caldecott received his first governorship—Hong Kong. Now he goes to Ceylon, the senior post of the Colonial Office governorships, writes a Home correspondent.

He has had a long period of service in the East without leave, and is coming home in April for a holiday before proceeding to Ceylon.

His rapid rise is an encouraging example of promotion by merit.

Sir Andrew made his name in the Malayan Civil Service in which he served for more than quarter

of a century. At the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley, 13 years ago, he was a junior official in charge of the Malayan section. Since then he has filled, in turn, nearly all the higher posts in Malaya, including that of Acting Governor.

ACCOMPLISHED
Firm, tactful, and popular, he is a brilliant linguist and an excellent speaker, and he writes, paints, and plays the piano with marked ability.

He has found the atmosphere of Hong Kong congenial to his artistic tastes. The place has changed vastly since the pre-war days.

I am told by those who saw both shows that the recent production of "Lady Precious Stream" by the Chinese undergraduates of Hong Kong University, was far superior to the London performance.

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HEROIN CASES AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS

Man's Plea Of Not Guilty Upheld By Jury

The third of the series of cases concerning dangerous drugs came before the Chief Justice Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday. The accused were two men, Chan Yuk-man and Wong Fong, charged with the possession of a quarter ounce of diacetyl morphine, commonly known as heroin, and 28 ounces of white powder, at No. 170, Gloucester Road, Wanahai, on January 15.

Chan Yuk-man pleaded guilty, while Wong Fong, for whom the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, jun. instructed by Mr. F. E. Nash, appeared, pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—E. Hospes (foreman), Fung Po-ho, H. Sauerbeck, H. G. Cooper, To Shing-chung, Li Pui-fong and Cheung Kam-chuen.

An amusing incident followed when the accused, Wong Fong, was asked if he had any objection to the jury.

"I am short-sighted and I would like to see the jury closer," said Wong. He was then led from the dock to the jury box and after a few minutes' observation said he had no objection and returned to the dock.

CHINESE OFFICER'S OBSERVATIONS

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, for the Crown, described a raid made by S. R. O. Grimitt and a party at No. 170, Gloucester Road, top floor. Difficulty was experienced in gaining entrance to the premises. A Chinese revenue officer on the roof observed the accused, Wong Fong, hurrying along towards the lavatory carrying two bowls containing red matter. The C.R.O. then

came down to the front and the door was opened by another man and the raiding party entered. There were red splashes on the floor of the premises and on the lavatory floor.

The accused's hands were stained pink and were still wet as if they had recently been washed.

ONE MAN DISCHARGED

When charged, Wong Fong said, "The drug does not belong to me. I stayed there only temporarily." At the Police Court he said that he was a seaman and went to visit his friend. He found it was too late to return to his ship and so stayed the night. He did not know what the articles found were.

After evidence, the jury, following a brief retirement returned a verdict of not guilty against Wong Fong and he was discharged.

Chan Yuk-man was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

STOLEN CYCLE SOLD

Unemployed Chinese Fined

Lau Pan, 54, unemployed, and Lau Luk, 55, marine hawk, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon charged with receiving a stolen bicycle. Lau Luk was discharged when Sgt. Estall accepted his plea that he was innocent of the knowledge that the bicycle was stolen.

Sgt. Estall said that on January 22, Tsang Kong of No. 14, Mallory Street, second floor, reported the loss of his bicycle. He returned on February 7 to state that he had seen it in the Leung Chong Ku Second Hand Shop, of 1, Spring Garden Lane, and had identified it as his.

The following day, a Chinese detective accompanied the complainant to the second hand shop and recovered the bicycle. It was alleged by the master of the shop that he had purchased it from Lau Pan for \$3.50.

Lau admitted the charge and added that he thought he could make some money by selling the machine, which was valued at \$7. His Worship imposed a fine of \$50 or six weeks imprisonment.

LORRY DRIVER FINED

A part-time lorry driver, Lau Hung, 34, was charged before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning for driving a lorry without a valid driver's licence and driving at an excessive speed, namely 26 m.p.h., in Castle Road, near Cheung Sha Wan Road on Monday last.

Sgt. MacVey said that he stopped defendant for exceeding the speed limit, and discovered the invalid licence when the defendant was asked to produce it for inspection.

Defendant was fined \$5 on the first charge and \$15 on the second.

THEFT OF BRASS PIPES

Ko Lam, 19, unemployed, of No. 4, Peel Street, first floor, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday for the larceny of two files and a brass pipe, all valued at \$5.

Sub-Inspector Madgwick, prosecuting, said that Heung Chung, a fireman on board the steam launch, Tung Tai, saw defendant at 2 a.m., on Monday entering the stern of the launch and steal the articles. The launch was anchored off Whitfield Road at the time. A sentence of three months with hard labour was imposed.

ATTEMPT TO DEFRAUD

Chinese Impersonate Police Officers

Unsuccessful in their alleged attempt to obtain money by impersonating police officers, two Chinese Chan Lin, 27, ex-police constable, and Taul Fuk, 30, previously of the prison department were charged before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning, and were found guilty of the charges preferred against them.

According to Sub-Inspector Hughes, who prosecuted, the defendants on Sunday last went into a small shop and demanded from the proprietress, Lau Heung, a 49-year-old woman the sum of \$2, accusing her that she was selling cigarettes without an appropriate licence.

PROOF DEMANDED

Complainant, in the witness box, said that she did not sell cigarettes in her shop, and that the packet produced in Court was not her property. When defendants came in and demanded the money, she slipped out of her shop by the back door, and asked a few of her neighbours to assist her in the matter. Her friends then asked defendants for credentials to prove their identities as police officers. Upon their request second defendant produced a police whistle and a chain which were identified by Sgt. Hughes as the type used by the Hong Kong Police. Seeing that their proofs were insufficient, they arrested defendants and handed them over to a constable.

Chan Lin, in his evidence, stated that he went to complainant's shop to purchase a packet of cigarettes which cost five cents. He tendered her a ten-cent piece, which, according to his belief, complainant mistook for a five-cent piece. He demanded the change, and accused complainant of cheating, and threatened that he would go and make a report to the police unless she gave him a sum of \$2. They then left the shop, and later returned again saying that they would even wait till very late for the money.

THE INNOCENT PARTY

The story told by the second defendant was that he did not enter the shop with the first defendant, but that he did persuade him to demand the change. He witnessed his friend being assaulted by two or three persons and he blew the whistle for help, but was eventually arrested.

Sgt. Hughes asked his Worship to take a serious view of this case, and further stated that there had been a case in which an offender was convicted for the possession of a government-made police whistle.

His Worship registered a fine of \$25 or one month's imprisonment on each of the defendants.

DEATH INQUIRY

Verdict Of "Natural Causes"

An inquiry into the death of Hui Kwong, a 51-year-old prisoner at Victoria Gaol, was held at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. K. Keen sat as Coroner, and the jury was composed of Messrs. John Howell, (foreman), M. A. Prata and C. M. Sequeira.

Mr. H. Barrett, chief warder, said that deceased was sent to Victoria Gaol on December 19, 1936, to serve a term of nine months' hard labour. On January 13, he was transferred to Stanley Gaol but was brought back to the Victoria Gaol Hospital on February 12, when he succumbed to his illness.

Dr. G. I. Shaw testified that when he first examined deceased on December 20, he found the prisoner to be suffering from chronic tuberculosis.

The jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

Each of the 11 provinces of the Indian Police.

They will go into camp in the Home Park at Hampton Court and will remain there until about May 25, when the contingent leave for India.

H.M.L. Sloop Indus, which represented India at the Silver Jubilee Naval Review, will attend the Spithead Review on May 20.

LADY DRIVER CAUTIONED

New Comer To Colony In Court

The summons against Mrs. J. M. Allen, of No. 11, Felix Villas, Pokfulam, for (a) failing to use the left side of the road when turning the corner of Pedder Street and Des Voeux Road, Central, and (b) driving without an appropriate license, was taken by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Defendant did not appear in Court, but pleaded guilty by letter. Sgt. Bethell prosecuted and said that defendant committed the offences at 9.50 a.m. on February 4.

His Worship gave a caution on the first charge as defendant was a comparatively new comer to the Colony, having only arrived a short time ago with the Senforth Highlanders, and imposed a fine of \$5 on the other charge.

"NOT GUILTY"

Wong Yip was found not guilty when he was appeared again before Mr. Justice Hayden at the Criminal Sessions yesterday on charges of uttering two forged \$1 Hong Kong Government bank notes, one at a shop in Bulkeley Street, Hungghom, and the other at a shop in Ma Tau Wei Road, and possession of the notes.

The following jury heard the case:—Messrs. W. F. Simmons (Foreman), R. S. Capell, W. L. L. Barker, W. Macfarlane, J. G. Jones, L. S. Silva, B. Paseo and J. D. Kinnaird.

The accused was discharged.

Mr. M. J. Abbott appeared for the Crown.

CONTINGENT FROM INDIA

600 Officers And Men

The Indian contingent for the Coronation, comprising 600 British and Indian officers and other ranks, will arrive in England about May 3. About 300 will have a place in the Coronation Procession.

The contingent will include:—29 British officers of the Regular Indian Army, the Indian Medical Service, the Royal Indian Navy and the Indian Police;

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Judge On Humanity

Motorist Reminded Of Victim's Widow

Sentence of three months in the second division was passed at the Old Bailey on Reginald Cresswell, age 31, of Outwood, near Redhill. His driving licence was suspended for seven years.

He pleaded not guilty to the manslaughter of John Samuel Funnell, but guilty to a charge of dangerous driving, and his plea was accepted.

Mr. Funnell, gardener-chauffeur, was killed by Cresswell's car as he was cycling with his wife on the Brighton-road on October 18.

Mr. G. D. Roberts (prosecuting) said that Cresswell was a man of some position in Croydon and the neighbourhood, being chief member of a firm of public works contractors.

Mr. St. John Hutchinson, K.C. (defending) said that Cresswell had held a driving licence for 14 years, and had only one conviction—for speeding.

Mr. Justice Charles said that he had heard a great deal in the case about humanity, but it did not seem to have occurred to the accused, perhaps, that there was some relation between the word humanity and the unfortunate woman who, by his rash act, had been made a widow in a flash.

"Because you were racing round a bend," he added, "you did not see this unfortunate man. Your character saves you from a long term of imprisonment, but imprisonment you must certainly have. The public must be protected."

T. L. SOONG STILL INDISPOSED

Canton, Feb. 15.

It is reported that Mr. T. L. Soong, Kwangtung Finance Commissioner, is suffering from lung trouble, and is resting in the Wang Yan Nursing Home in Shanghai.

After his recovery, he will confer with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and Dr. Kung Chang-hsi, the Finance Minister, regarding the

BURNS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The 178th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns was celebrated throughout the world.

In the towns and cities of Scotland Burns clubs and societies met to honour the memory of the poet.

Lord Inverclyde, addressing the Bridgeton Burns Club in Glasgow, referred to the proposal to make a Burns film at Hollywood. "If that film is anything like the film of 'Annie Laurie,'" he remarked, "I can well imagine Burns turning in his grave."

A feature of the celebrations in Scotland was the growing participation of women. Exclusively feminine dinners were held in Greenock and Dumfries, and women outnumbered men at the Edinburgh Burns Club gathering.

FAULTY PLANE CRASH

Experimenter's Death

A verdict of accidental death, due to the faulty design of the aeroplane, was returned at the adjourned inquest at Caterham on Mr. Richard Taylor, aged 40, an engineer, of Riverside, Sunbury, who was killed when his experimental plane crashed.

Major J. Cooper, Inspector of Accidents to the Air Ministry, gave evidence that the crash was due to a structural failure, which he attributed to a weakness of design.

The Coroner—Was this man trying out his experiments in accordance with the regulations?

Major Cooper—No. It would appear that his flight was a contravention of the regulations as he was not the holder of a licence and the flight was not authorised by the issue of a permit.

Financial situation in Kwangtung Province, and then return to Canton to resume his duties as Finance Commissioner.

THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Golden Jubilee To-day

The Alice Memorial Hospital was opened on February 17, 1887, just fifty years ago to-day.

The Alice Memorial Hospital was originally in Hollywood Road. The cost of the building was generously provided by Dr. Ho Kai (the late Sir Kai Ho Kai) and was named in memory of his wife Alice. The site on which the building stood cost \$22,000 of which \$11,000 was given by the London Missionary Society while the remaining \$11,000 was subscribed in Hong Kong.

The Netherlands Hospital was built as an extension of the Alice Memorial Hospital on a site on Bonham Road donated by the London Missionary Society and was opened in 1893, the cost of the building being met by Mr. H. W. Davi. of Messrs. Linstead and Davi.

The Maternity Hospital and the Ho Miu Ling Hospital were added in 1904 and 1905 respectively, the cost of the building in the case of the Maternity Hospital being met by public subscription in Hong Kong, and in the case of the Ho Miu Ling Hospital by Madame Wu Ting Fong (Ho Miu Ling) and her friends. The site in each case was given by the Hong Kong Government.

The former Hong Kong College of Medicine was associated with the Alice Memorial and its affiliated hospitals from its beginning in 1887 until it was merged into the Medical Faculty of the University of Hong Kong in 1912. The late Dr. Sun Yat Sen was one of the first two graduates of the College.

From its commencement the work has been generously supported by all sections of the community in Hong Kong, both for the general upkeep of the Hospitals, and also when capital sums for building have been required. From time to time also bequests have been left to the Hospitals for endowment purposes.

At first the charge for in-patients was only ten cents a day to cover the cost of food but some years later the charge was raised to twenty cents a day. In 1925 and again in 1931 the fee was raised and now the charge is fifty cents a day for adults and forty cents a day for children, which covers the cost of food and also helps towards the purchase of medicines. At the ordinary out-patient clinics no fee is charged and no patient whose condition warrants admission to the hospital is refused because of poverty; in practice, part of the charge is frequently remitted particularly in the case of children.

TRAINING OF NURSES
Donations for the endowment of cots such as those given annually by the Ministering League and Ministering Children's League, and by the Beliefs Public School help to enable this free treatment to be given. The Hospitals also receive an annual grant from the Hong Kong Government.

The Alice Memorial and Affiliated

Hospitals were the first hospitals in the Colony to commence the training of nurses and of midwives, and this has increasingly become one of the aims of their work, carried on side by side with the treatment of the sick.

The original Alice Memorial Hospital in Hollywood Road was sold in 1921, and after some delay was rebuilt on the site adjoining the Netherlands Hospital in Bonham Road, the site again being given by the London Missionary Society.

In 1931 the Netherlands Hospital was demolished, the ravages of white ants and dry rot having made the upkeep of the building too expensive a proposition. In June of last year the Contract for the new Netherlands Hospital was signed, and work on the preparation of the site commenced on July 1st. Owing to the nature and slope of the ground, the preparation of the site has taken a considerable time, but in December work on the foundations of the building itself was started and it is hoped that it will be possible to open the building for the receiving of patients before the end of the year.

The total sum of money required for the new building had not yet been received when the contract was signed but the Executive Committee of the Hospitals decided that in view of the difficulties in carrying on the work in the present reduced accommodation, and the advantageous building prices obtainable at that time, that it would be unwise to delay further. The wisdom of this decision has since been shown by the rise in the price of building materials, particularly that of steel, which has recently taken place.

APPEAL FOR HELP

The total amount required for the new building including provision for architects' and overseer's fees, contingencies, furnishings and alterations to the adjoining Alice Memorial Hospital, which will be necessary when the new building is opened, is about \$200,000. Towards this amount, in addition to a building fund which has been built up over a number of years and which it is expected will realise about \$100,000, a special appeal was made in 1935 for \$50,000 the Hong Kong Government having granted up to this amount. So far just over \$20,000 has been received and further sums have been promised, which it is hoped will be received soon. An appeal is now being made for the balance of the \$50,000 required, so that full advantage may be taken of the Government's promise as soon as possible. It is emphasised that any donation now given means the addition of a similar amount by the Government, making every donation of double value.

A visit from any who are interested in seeing the work will be welcomed, and the staff will be pleased to show visitors round the Hospitals.

DONATIONS

In Memory Of Late
Dr. Ozorio

The Hon. Treasurer of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul acknowledges with grateful appreciation and thanks the receipt of the following donations to the Society's Funds in memory of the late Dr. F. M. Graca Ozorio.

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The members of the China Light Power Co. Ltd.	10.00
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	\$89.00

The Society for the Protection of Children acknowledges with grateful thanks a sum of \$977 from Chinese members of the Society.

MORE HEROIN OFFENCES

Jury Returns Guilty Verdict

Another heroin case came before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon, when four Shanghai men, Chiu Shi Haum, Chang Siu Chang, Shao Taz Chen and Tau Taz Fong, were charged with the unlawful possession of two-thirds of an ounce of crude heroin and 71,140 heroin pills at No. 238 Jaffe Road, second floor.

Chang Siu Chang pleaded guilty while the remainder denied the charge.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. F. J. M. Rodrigues (Foreman), Lui Chung Sun, Ho Tai Yung, M. M. Silva, Wong Kwok King, A. M. Wahab and D. P. Fuertes.

Appearing for the prosecution, Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General said that on the morning of January 14, Senior Revenue Officer Grimmitt, and a raiding party, went to the second floor of No. 238 Jaffe Road. Mr. Grimmitt knocked at the door, and when a woman looked through the peep-hole told her that he had come to see the water taps. The woman did not open the door and when Mr. Grimmitt told her that he was the opium inspector she turned away from the door and addressed some person inside the flat. As a result of her remarks there ensued a commotion inside the premises.

When the door was opened Mr. Grimmitt went to the rear of the premises and found first defendant washing his hands. The kitchen of the flat was being used as a heroin pill factory. In this part of the building were two trays of hot pills and three tins of hot ashes, used for drying purposes. Second and third defendants were found hiding in the veranda, whilst fourth defendant was found in the lavatory. Only first and second defendants' hands were stained pink.

In evidence the fourth defendant said that he went to the floor to visit his cousin; third defendant came down from Shanghai to borrow money from Lam, who left the premises the night before the raid.

Following his Lordship's summing up, the jury retired and returned at 5.10 p.m. and returned verdicts of guilty against the first, third and fourth defendants.

All defendants, including the second who had already pleaded guilty, were each sentenced to three years' hard labour.

SALE OF FOODSTUFFS IN STANLEY

Stricter Control In Future

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 5 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, the Urban Council, at its meeting yesterday afternoon, approved the following amendment of the by-laws under the heading "Food Shops" set forth in the Schedule to the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935:—

By-laws 1 and 2 are rescinded and the following by-laws are substituted therefor:—

(1) In these by-laws "Public Market" means a market which has been declared a market by any Public Authority or which may hereafter be declared a market by the Council.

(1A) Except in a public market or under and in accordance with a licence granted by the Council, no person shall sell or expose for sale any articles of food for man usually sold or exposed for sale in a public market within the following places, namely, the Island of Hong Kong, the Harbour, Kowloon and New Kowloon.

(2) The following fees shall be charged and paid for licences to sell in premises outside a public market the undermentioned articles of food commonly sold in such market:—

Article	Fee per quarter
Beef and Mutton	\$10
Pork	\$30
Fish	\$60
Poultry	\$30
Fruit and Vegetables	\$10

Provided that a fee of \$3 per quarter only shall be charged and paid for any like licence to sell in premises situated in the following places, namely, Pokfulam, Aberdeen, Apichau, Stanley, Tytam, Shek O.

Before Mr. R. R. Todd, Chairman, formally moved the amendment, he explained the objects and reasons for the motion, in the course of which he said:—

The present By-law 1 reads as follows:—

1. "Except under and in accordance with a licence granted by the Council, no person shall within the City of Victoria or the Harbour, or in Kowloon or New Kowloon, or in Shaikwan, Quarry Bay, Wong Nei Chung, Tai Hang, Whitfield, Tsin Shui Ma Tau, Fu Tau Fat, Ma Shan Ha, Sai Wan Ho, Chung Lung, Tsat Tze Mui, Pokfulam, Aberdeen or Apichau, or in such other places as shall be named in any public notice being a public market within the meaning of this Ordinance any articles of food for man usually sold or exposed for sale in a public market."

It will be observed that no mention is made of Stanley and its sister village Tytam and the Urban Council has therefore no control over shops selling meat, fish, poultry, fruit and vegetables in these two villages. Apart from the completion of the new Prison and the influx of population which that event has brought with it,

Stanley is rapidly becoming a residential district. The Health Officers consider it necessary that stricter attention should be paid to the conditions under which food is sold there, and the amendment which is before the Council to-day will give us the necessary powers.

New Market
I must mention that \$18,000 is provided in the current Estimates for the building of a market at Stanley. This market will be of the one-storey type, similar to the Lockhart Road and the Arsenal Street Markets, or the new market at Tsuen Wan, and will, it is expected, be completed some time during the course of this year. Until the new Stanley Market is completed we shall have to deal very gently with the shops which sell food. Most of the existing buildings will, I am sure, fall short of our requirements and we shall have to insist on clean conditions rather than on structural refinements.

Turning to the new by-laws, members will observe that the new By-law 1 consists of a definition of "Public Market." This has been included on the advice of the Crown Solicitor.

The second new by-law, numbered 1A, is virtually the same as the old By-law 1 except that the long list of names of villages and districts is replaced by the words "the Island of Hong Kong, the Harbour, Kowloon and New Kowloon." This means that the Council will have control over all Food Shops in the whole of the Urban District, and besides having the effect of bringing Food Shops in Stanley and Tytam under our control will also do the same thing for Food Shops in Shek O, which is the only other village of any importance on the Island. As in the case of Stanley, we shall for the present have to deal gently with Food Shops in Shek O.

The new By-law 2 is very similar to the old By-law 2. There is no alteration in the licence fees and the specially reduced fee of \$3 per quarter will apply, as in the case of Pokfulam, Aberdeen and Apichau, to Stanley, Tytam and Shek O. The opportunity has been taken, however, to delete the names of Tsin Shui Ma Tau, Fu Tau Fat, Ma Shan Ha and Chung Lung from this by-law. I have been unable to discover the exact whereabouts of these places: they are said to be, or to have been, villages in the neighbourhood of Shaikwan. For our purposes they may be regarded as merged in Shaikwan, and the inclusion of the names in the by-law would have no practical significance.

SHENSI SITUATION EASIER

Nanking, Feb. 15.

Following the retreat of the rebels from eastern Shensi, Government troops which have been massing along the Lunghai Railway west of Tungkuang, have commenced to withdraw into Honan and Hupeh. Sufficient forces are being left behind to maintain law and order. They are commanded by General Ku Tsu-tung.

The restive Shensi troops are now concentrating in the neighbourhood of Sanyuan, awaiting further developments.

General Chang Shueh-liang's former army is ultimately destined to take up garrison duty in Kansu, but many officers object to its transfer, which may consequently be delayed.

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BRITISH WARSHIPS BOMBED

London, Feb. 15.

Two British destroyers were yesterday bombed by a large aircraft, apparently a Junkers machine, when from 15 to 20 miles off Cape Tenes, Algeria.

Six bombs were dropped without effect, and the destroyers fired in reply.

Protests have been lodged with the authorities at Palma and Salamanca.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

SPANISH CIVILIANS AT ALMERIA

London, Feb. 15.

Appeal To Britain For Assistance

In the House of Commons at question-time the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs announced that an appeal was received last night from the Spanish Government for the relief of refugees at present at Almeria. His Majesty's Government were urgently considering whether the question of any international relief action could be profitably examined.

Lord Cranborne recalled that the British proposal last December, that assistance for the relief of the Spanish civilian population should be organised on an international basis, was not at that time acceptable to the Spanish Government.

British Wireless.

NO COMMUNICATION FROM GERMANY

London, Feb. 15.

The German Government has on no occasion informed the British Government that it is unable to agree to the conclusion of a new Western Agreement, according to a Parliamentary answer by Lord Cranborne.

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Possession Of Forged Notes

Fok Po-hang, 22 years, teacher of the Hung Chi Junior School, Canton, stood trial before the Police Judge, Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon, on a charge of the possession of two forged \$5 banknotes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, knowing them to be forged. The accused pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. R. L. S. Webb (Foreman), W. M. Sousse, T. Snowman, A. V. Barros, A. W. Johnsford, J. E. Barrow and Li Wai-run.

Mr. Abbott said that on January 21 a district watchman received information as a result to which he arrested the defendant going up the stairs of an address in Lockhart Road and accused him of being in possession of forged banknotes. The watchman shone his torch and found a banknote on the first corner of the stairs going up. The defendant was taken to the station where he was searched and took out of his pocket a pair of gloves from one by which he produced a banknote, and said, "I have only got two notes."

When charged, the defendant replied, "I did not know the two banknotes were forgeries." At the Police Court he said he got the notes in exchange from a money-changer in Canton. The defendant further stated that he was

told by a local money-changer that he need not throw the notes away and if he did not try to pass them he need not be afraid. The defendant thought things over and considered the notes would be a source of great trouble and soon after he was arrested.

Mr. Abbott added that the most the Crown could do was to ask the jury to infer from the circumstances and the conduct of the defendant that he must have known that the notes were forged. After evidence was heard the accused elected the take the stand. He reiterated his statement made at the Magistracy after which the hearing was adjourned to this morning when Mr. Abbott will continue his cross-examination of the accused.

CORONATION STAMP ISSUE

Southern Rhodesia is to make a special issue of stamps in honour of the Coronation. They will be of four values—1d, 2d, 3d and 6d—and will bear the heads of the King and Queen and a view of the Victoria Falls somewhat similar to that on the large Rhodesian 2d stamps now current.

The designs of the permanent George VI. stamps for the Colony have not yet been decided.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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CONFERENCESWORN MEASURER'S
OFFICE

As and from Sunday, 21st inst., the above Office will be situated at P. & O. Building, 6th Floor, Connaught Road, Central.

THE HONGKONG LAND
INVESTMENT AND
AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-Ninth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Tuesday, 9th March, 1937, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1936.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Monday, 22nd February, 1937, to Tuesday, 9th March, 1937, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the
Board of Directors.
O. EAGER,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th Feb., 1937.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on Saturday, the 27th February, 1937, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1936.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 15th February to Saturday, the 27th February, 1937 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 8th February, 1937.

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DECLARATION OF INTERIM
DIVIDEND

NOTICE is hereby given that an Interim Dividend of six pence per share on account of the financial year ending 31st March, 1937 has been declared by the Directors of the Company in Brisbane, payable on 12th March, 1937 to shareholders on the Registers at Brisbane and Singapore on 11th March, 1937.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the Singapore Transfer Registers will be closed from Friday, 5th March, to Thursday, 11th March, 1937 (both days inclusive), for the preparation of Dividend Warrants.

By Order of the Board,
DERRICK & CO.,
Chartered Accountants,
Local Secretaries.

Hong Kong Bank Chambers,
Singapore, 5th February, 1937.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUBANNUAL RACE MEETING,
1937

20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 27th
February, 1937.

On Saturday, 20th, Monday, 22nd and Tuesday, 23rd February, the first race will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be rung at 11.30 a.m. On Wednesday, 24th February, the first race will be rung at 11.30 a.m., and the first race will be rung at 12 o'clock NOON, and on Saturday, 27th February, the first race will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be taken after the fifth race on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, and after the fourth race on Wednesday.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND
ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00, respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Tel 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th February, 1937.

REMOVAL NOTICE

The Grand Dispensary is now situated at the corner of China Building, in the premises formerly occupied by the Britannia Silk Store, adjacent to the Queen's Theatre.

THE GRAND DISPENSARY,
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PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for permission to obtain clay from a parcel of Crown Land at Ngau Tau Kok, S. D. III, N. T.", will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Monday, the 22nd day of February, 1937, for the occupation for a period of one year from the date of notification of acceptance of tender of the piece or parcel of ground, containing about .69 acre, shown coloured red on plan signed by the Director of Public Works and dated 22nd January, 1937, but subject to certain conditions which can be ascertained at the office of the Director of Public Works.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the Tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum of \$50 as a pledge of the "bona fides" of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown if the Tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions, should the tender be accepted.

Form of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

R. M. HENDERSON,
Director of Public Works

5th February, 1937.

SPORTS CLUB

SELLING LOTTERIES will be conducted at the Club premises on MONDAY, the 15th, WEDNESDAY, the 17th and FRIDAY, the 19th February, at 5.30 p.m. on the Valley Stakes, the Hong Kong Derby, and the Rooter Hill Derby.

Friends of Members, including ladies, are invited.

By Order of the Committee,

V. E. DUCLOS,
Chairman.

COLONY CHESS
CHAMPIONSHIP

Open to any chess player in the Colony. Entries will close on Monday, March 1 and should be sent, with fee of \$3, to The Secretary.

Joint Committee Victoria and Kowloon Chess Clubs

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"CALLING THE
BLUFF"

There comes a time in the affairs of nations as in the case of individuals when a definite stand has to be taken on some major matter of principle, regardless of consequences but mindful solely of responsibilities.

Never before in the vast history of nations has any one Empire had so much greatness thrust upon it than has that which to-day is regarded as the Beacon of Democracy, that grand and solid structure built to the design of the Statute of Westminster and called the Commonwealth of Nations. Particularly during the travail of the past twenty-five years has the British Empire achieved a record for sincere constructiveness in international policy which has assured for her an unswerving eminence as remarkable as it is inspiring. In a word, her steadfast sincerity in the cause of world peace defies misconception.

How Britain has striven for the preservation of world peace consistently, conscientiously and courageously since 1918 is so well known that, even to those peoples of nations where individual liberty has been sacrificed to dictatorships with the consequent impoverishment of truth, it is unnecessary to recapitulate the noble role of world saviour which she has played with unsparing loyalty.

But whilst Britain was treading the thorny path of selflessness—a selflessness demonstrated by her magnificent self-restraint under exceedingly trying circumstances—other nations, instead of finding in her example an inspiration for emulation, decided, in the abundance of their ignorance, that Britain's example of self-restraint was proof positive of her decline; that Britain was going the downward path to decay as had former, if less illustrious, Empires. And so, within recent years, those splendid gestures for peace which took the form of that which now appears to have been tragic disarmament, were all interpreted as so much "eye-wash," or, as the Americans have a neat way of putting it, "hokey."

Stalin, gurgling maledictions; Mussolini, with a flair for gesticulation and a nervous disposition, bawling threats; Hitler, with a quite understandable adaptability for the playing of a central part in a massed and whirling stage presentation, shrieking taunts; Japan's too numerous "spokesmen," with a picturesque aptitude for ceremonial suicide, employing the language of diplomats and practicing the meaner subtleties of back-stairs conspirators—all these, and many more, belied their vaunted sincerity by seeking to belittle Britain at every turn of the international wheel of political chance. Britain, knew what it IS to have a giant's strength, whilst her traducers knew only how to misuse theirs.

So Time marched on—whilst the mightiest Empire known to mankind groped pathetically, selflessly, yet inspiringly, to endeavour to show the way to world

If Gossip We Must

(BY PRUDENCE)

Sunday, out at Kwantli, was just about the coldest day of the year. Quite reminiscent of a winter's day in England. After the recent warm spell some of us were caught unawares, and might have spent our time shivering in the light coats and skirts which are the usual wear out there; however, (thanks to the forethought of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club) it was possible to get as warm as toast between every race, since brightly burning braziers were to be found on every side, and were always surrounded by the coattail ones, who made them a regular rendezvous all the afternoon. The bar must have done a roaring trade in "whisky Macdonalds" I should think!

Mrs. Newbiggin was one of the few who seemed to be really enjoying the weather. She looked charming in a dark costume and a hat with a gay green feather, and Miss Bechini was warm and glowing in the snugness of fur coats. With her was Buntly Hollowes, who is growing very tall these days, and looked very sweet in brown checks. They were splitting bets with Miss Turbett, who was there as an on-looker only, for once in a way!

MRS. BOUSEFIELD BACK
It was nice to see Mrs. Bousefield back again, and looking so well, in a becoming hat of red, and long brown coat. Mrs. Taggart defied the weather in furs and sports socks of blue, and I caught sight of Mrs. Harriman, (all gray squirrel, with golden hair showing above her high collar). She had brought her three youngsters along, and were they having a grand time. I am sure they mean to follow in their father's footsteps; for they were taking a most intelligent interest in the races as well as galloping off to inspect the ponies between times!

Anne Dodwell caught my eye in a light gray suit and a vermillion scarf and sweater, and Mrs. McAvoy was very smart as always. Mrs. M. H. Turner looked so fresh and pretty in green tweeds, and I am sure that Betty and Beryl must have felt very keyed-up when they saw their pony Diogenes come sweeping past, (with Mr. Harris up) for a wonderful win.

I felt a bit sorry for those in the Judges' box. It must have been bitterly cold there with the wind whistling round, but probably they were too absorbed to notice. I am sure Mr. E. B. Reed was, anyway; for he had some very close finishes to tell his attention. He (said to say) is off to England all too soon, and is going to be very much missed in racing circles as well as on the bowling green: in fact I don't quite know how we shall do without him!

H.K.J.C. SELLING
LOTTERIES

Hong Kong Jockey Club selling lotteries will be conducted on the Valley Stakes, the Hong Kong Derby and the Rooter Hill Derby at the Club House, Happy Valley, at 6 p.m. to-morrow. They will be open to members and friends.

peace by her own self-effacement.

But you can twist the Lion's tail once too often, and when that is done, it were well for the marksman with his pea-shooter and the gamins with his caterpault, to beware and leave well alone.

Thus to-day we have the spectacle of the British Empire "calling the bluff" of the world, firm as never before, in the absolute knowledge that her Commonwealth of Nations is one whole and undivided unity of world-shattering (if need be), and world-saving (as should be), strength.

What a transformation has been effected in the outlooks of those nations whose megaphonic leaders, but a few short months ago, taunted her and jeered at her! Now theirs is the language of homied sweetness mixed with the arsenical icing-sugar of soft protestation. "We do not want war!" A chorus of Westminster glee-singers could not be in more



One way of keeping warm! A crowd of race enthusiasts sitting round a brazier at the Kwantli Race Course last Sunday.

MR. HAZELAND'S PARTY

Major and Mrs. Richards seemed to be having a good time, and I am sure they spotted a few winners. Mr. and Mrs. E. Hazeland brought a party on from their bungalow, among them were Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Wilson, who were busy with good-byes all round, and in high spirits at the thought of getting away on "home-leave" next Saturday. Mrs. Hills was there in black, and Miss Stephen, in navy blue, and Mrs. Stanton in a lovely leopard coat. Mrs. Whitham was in a smart little suit, and Mrs. Cavanagh Mainwaring looked very pretty in chestnut brown.

THE BIG THRILL

The finish of the Diana Cup provided one of the big thrills of the afternoon. Mrs. Ackroyd-Hunt brought in Punch as straight as a die, with Lois Fearon on King's Worthy hard at her heels. After the last fence Lois brought her mount round in a swooping half-circle to forge ahead and very nearly plipped her rival at the post. Magnificent riding on the part of both ladies. Barbara Lord rode her own pony into third place.

Is there any other news, now let me think—well, perhaps Mrs. Tam Pearce could tell us something nice about that big sweep, and who were the lucky clever-ones on Nebular Star?

AT THE HOTEL

There was a delicious evening "on the tiles" at the Hong Kong Hotel last Saturday night. Everyone keyed up to concert pitch, with a crowd that grew bigger all the time, until at last there was only just room to dance.

Mrs. Jupp flashed past me in black which flared into glittering silver sequins at the hem. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sanger came with a

large party, the latter very charming in a dress of brown with shimmering polka-dots of pale gold. Doreen Ma was adorable in black velvet, and Joan Baker wore a glamorous golden gown. Mrs. Campbell looked entrancing in black. Betty and Beryl Faire have just returned to Hong Kong after being away for many months, and were getting quite an ovation from all who had not already seen them. Betty is doing her hair in a very charming new way. (rather French) and Beryl looked delightful in mulberry red.

Mrs. Keith Valentine is back again, and had a marvelous frock of smoke gray and a pale rose in her hair. Mrs. Branson was graceful in oyster satin, and Mrs. Robert Young very chic in sapphire blue.

Mrs. David Strellett came in with a party just about midnight looking very charming in black with a white velvet coat. With her was Mrs. Hayden in most persuasive dress and the loveliest pearls, while Mrs. Stafford Smith (also in the same party) wore a very decorative coat with a high collar of ermine.

YOLA AND PAUL

Mrs. Hodgkinson was sweet in black and silver and Miss Langley most beguiling in pink. Mrs. Margrett had an attractive dress of gauzy black. Mrs. Sullivan too looked superb in black velvet.

Yola and Paul danced their thrilling dances with grace and abandon. Oh how I envy Yola her marvelous dresses. The gold one lined with deep purple is something to dream about, and that last exotic dance, (when she looked like a flame in scarlet and flashing silver) was cheered to the echo and had to be repeated. There will be a big crowd next Saturday to bid them "au revoir."

Silver Sword
For Chiang

Peiping Students Arrive With Gift

Shanghai, Feb. 16.
One hundred and twenty representatives of Peiping students arrived this morning and presented General Chiang Kai-shek with a silver sword which represents contributions from 89 schools and 10,400 students.

The sword is one foot and eight inches long and bears the design of the Chinese National emblem.

The ceremony in this connection will be held around Feb. 20, when the students' representatives will urge General Chiang Kai-shek to lead the Chinese Army in resistance against external aggression and to recover lost territory.

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impressive harmony. Stalin started the "We do not want war" theme-song, and Mussolini, Hitler and Arita became magically, if somewhat suspiciously, carried away with its glorious lilt.

"We do not want war!" Why all this protesting? Britain is apparently their audience which they seek to charm.

Who wants war, anyway? What's all the fuss about? Did Britain ever start war?

She wants—nay, she demands in the name of twisted and tortured humanity—Peace, and that

Interport Hockey
Supper Dance

Large Gathering At Peninsula

The Ladies' Interport hockey supper dance was held at the Peninsula Hotel last night, which terminated the official engagements of the visiting Shanghai team. The function was attended by a large gathering, which included members of both the Hong Kong and Shanghai ladies' hockey teams and the Shanghai football team.

Among those who were present were:—Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pearce (President of the Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Association), Capt. and Mrs. G. W. P. Kimm, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Osborne, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Rödger.

she is determined to see that no further injustices are perpetrated, she lays down allocations totaling £400,000,000 for her defence forces.

Britain has called the bluff with the result that the official spokesmen of Russia, Germany, Italy and Japan have scrambled on to their rostrums, and, with much arm-play, stoutly declare they want no gun-play. Perhaps they will content themselves with little domestic purgings which might, as previously, take the somewhat barbaric form of blood-baths.

REBEL ADVANCE HELD UP

New Bridge Over Jerama River

No Major Operations In South Madrid

Madrid, February 16.

The Government claims to have beaten off the attacks on the whole front south of Madrid, but the insurgents state that there were no major operations in that sector.

General Quiroga del Llano, leader of the insurgent forces in South Spain, suggested that the insurgent advance has been held up for two or three days owing to the necessity of constructing a new bridge over the Jerama River which was blown up by insurgents.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

ATTACK REPELLED

Madrid, Feb. 16.

A heavy insurgent attack was launched at dawn to-day along the extended front of the Jarama sector. The attackers lost over 1,000 killed, according to a Government communiqué.

General Francisco Franco's troops advanced under the protection of tanks and a heavy covering fire, but after a brief engagement a dynamite squad forced the insurgents back to their original positions.

Meanwhile, insurgent bombers were bombarding the Government lines. Government pursuit planes intervened, and after an aerial fight the rebel planes retired, according to the Defence Junta's report.—*Reuter.*

CATALAN ALLEGATION

Paris, Feb. 16.

A statement was issued by the Catalan Government that the warship which bombed Barcelona on Sunday was an Italian ship. The statement alleges that the indication is furnished by the Italian origin of the shells and messages picked up in Italian code after the bombardment.—*Transocean News Service.*

BALKAN STATES IN CONFERENCE

Athens, Feb. 16.

The Foreign Ministers and delegates of Turkey, Rumania and Jugo-Slavia, after receiving a warm welcome on the frontier and stations en route, arrived here to-day to attend a conference of the Balkan States. The town was gaily decorated for the occasion.

One of the principal items on the agenda is the recent pact between Jugo-Slavia and Bulgaria, of which four States of the Balkan Entente have approved, thus indicating increased collaboration throughout the Balkans.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

POLISH INVITATION TO DR. GREISER

Danzig, Feb. 15.

The President of the Danzig Senate, Dr. Greiser, declared in an interview, in answer to the reports in the French Press about the purpose of his trip to Danzig, that he would participate for the fourth time at a shooting party at the invitation of the Polish President, but that his visit would have no political significance.

He declared that the Danzig-Poland question was settled during the recent negotiations satisfactorily, and little incidents cropping up from time to time would be dealt with by the competent authorities.—*Transocean News Service.*

SOVIET RESIDENTS IN LONDON

London, Feb. 16.

A house with garden and tennis court has been acquired by the Soviet Russians here. It will be used in the daytime as school and at night as Club for the Soviet residents in London.—*Transocean News Service.*

MADRID REFUGEES

Madrid, Feb. 16.

Sixty refugees of various nationalities left Madrid to-day, travelling on the road to Alicante under the protection of an official of the British Consulate.—*Transocean News Service.*

SPANISH WAR PROBLEM

Non-Intervention Agreement

London, Feb. 16.

An official statement of the session of the Non-Intervention Committee on Monday and its findings has now been issued.

It is stated that the sub-committee examined the proposals to establish a control plan in the Spanish civil war. After a general exchange of views, the representatives of Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Sweden and Soviet Russia agreed that the non-intervention plan will begin to operate at midnight of February 20-21, to be extended to all persons of non-Spanish nationality, as well as to transit through the territories of such persons of the powers in agreement.—*Transocean News Service.*

CONTROL PLAN

London, Feb. 15.

It is understood that an agreement has been reached by the sub-committee of the Non-Intervention Committee, at present in session here.

The plan, which aims at the prevention of interference by Governments or their nationals in the Spanish civil war, is not yet known in detail. However, it is disclosed that it provides:

Firstly, a ban on volunteers from all countries, to come into operation at midnight of February 20.

Secondly, a control scheme, entailing the spreading of a sea and land cordon around Spain, which would report breaches of the agreement to a London Committee of Control.

This scheme, it is suggested, should come into operation at midnight, March 8.

The whole plan is meeting with a notable co-operation among the powers. Its acceptance at the full meeting of the Non-Intervention Committee is a foregone conclusion, though it is understood the Portuguese delegate is still without instructions. Formerly, Portugal flatly refused to allow the Non-Intervention Committee to patrol the Portuguese-Spanish frontier.

PORTUGAL'S RESERVATION
A communiqué issued by the International Non-Intervention Committee confirms the agreement of the sub-committee representatives on the scheme to prevent outside interference in the Spanish civil war.

Portugal supports the first provision of the agreement, namely the ban on volunteers from countries technically neutral, but reserves her decision with respect to the "neutral cordon" it is proposed should be drawn around Spain to guard against infraction of the first stipulation of the non-intervention pact.—*Reuter.*

HAYASHI'S ATTACK ON COMMUNISTS

Moscow, Feb. 16.

Although official comment on the recent speech of the Japanese Premier Hayashi is still lacking, it is stated in informed quarters that the speech did not come as a surprise. The violent attack of Hayashi on Communism excluded the possibility of better relations between the two countries, especially the conclusion of a non-aggression treaty.—*Transocean News Service.*

M.C.C. FARE BADLY

New Ball Starts Collapse

Sydney, Feb. 16.

At the close of to-day's play, the M.C.C. were 124 runs in arrears with three wickets in hand to avert an innings defeat in their match against New South Wales.

New South Wales scored 231 in their first innings, to which the M.C.C. replied with a paltry 73. In their second innings the home team finished to-day with a total of 248.

There were two thousand people present in sunny and warm weather to-day when the M.C.C. started their second knock, faced with the task of making 404 runs to avert defeat by an innings.

Barnett rose to the occasion by scoring 117 in an innings featured by dominant slashing drives. He was 173 minutes at the wicket and scored thirteen boundaries in addition to two six-hits. Together with Hardstaff, 64, he added 165 for the second wicket.

The M.C.C. were 200 for 2. A new ball started a collapse and six wickets fell for 220. Ames, 44 not out, stayed through the complete rout.

At close of play the M.C.C. score was 280 for 7. Farnes took four wickets for 59, and Copson three for 42.—*Reuter.*

TITLE FIGHT WITH BRADDOCK

Max Schmeling Making Preparations

Berlin, Feb. 16.

Max Schmeling, who will shortly be proceeding to New York in order to make preparations for his fight with Braddock, made a statement to the "12 Uhr Blatt" in which he thinks it impossible that the match between Braddock and Louis will take place at all.

"I have my contract and shall insist upon it. The contract is completely in order, and any court in America would confirm it. I consider the entire report about the match between Braddock and Louis is simply a rumour, without anything substantial at the back of it."

Schmeling is booked to leave on the Europa, which sails on Friday.—*Transocean News Service.*

ESPIONAGE TRIAL IN AMERICA

Former Naval Officer Offers No Defence

Washington, Feb. 15.

Declaring he would offer no defence against the charges of espionage levelled against him, ex-Lieut.-Commander Farnsworth to-day threw himself on the mercy of the court. He appeared on charges of conspiring to communicate naval secrets to Japan.

In the charge, two Japanese naval officers were named as having conspired with Farnsworth. Commander Kikuya and Lieut.-Commander Yamaki were the alleged conspirators. But neither of them was indicted because of their diplomatic immunity. Both formerly were stationed at the Japanese Embassy, but are now believed to be in Japan.

Over 50 United States naval officers have arrived here from various stations to appear as witnesses for the prosecution.—*Reuter.*

LINDBERGH ARRIVES IN CAIRO

Cairo, Feb. 15.

Colonel Lindbergh and his wife arrived here this afternoon in his own special aeroplane. His arrival was entirely unexpected, since he had eluded reporters, and no one was aware of his exact whereabouts.—*Transocean News Service.*

Milan Lawyers Cancel Visit To Paris

Milan, Feb. 16.

The Milan Association of lawyers and state attorneys cancelled its projected visit to Paris in view of the anti-fascist remarks of Premier Blum made in a speech to the Committee of the Par's World Fair.—*Transocean News Service.*

TRANS-ATLANTIC AIR SERVICE

British Experiments To Begin Shortly

Three Machines To Be Tried In Tests

London, February 16.

British experiments with a view to preparing for a regular trans-Atlantic air service will begin in the very near future, possibly in two or three weeks, with a flying boat.

The flying boat to be used will, however, not be of a type large enough to carry a paying load of mails and passengers. These flights are intended only to gain experience and accumulate data.

The Mayo Composite, in which one aeroplane lifts, another and casts it off in mid-air, is now approaching completion. After preliminary tests it is expected to begin trans-Atlantic trials in July and August.

The third machine to be tried in the Atlantic is an Albatross land plane. It will probably begin Atlantic trials in July.

Air circles emphasise that very comprehensive and prolonged tests will be necessary. They deprecate the idea of a regular trans-Atlantic service being possible in November by any line.—*Reuter.*

UNITED STATES SUBSIDY

Washington, Feb. 15.

A House of Representatives Committee has approved the Administration's request for funds with which to subsidise the trans-Atlantic air mail service between New York and Southampton, which will begin on November 1 next.

The subsidy will be at the rate of two dollars a mile and the postage rate will be between twenty-one and twenty-five cents per ounce.

At the beginning, only mails will be carried, but later giant clipper flying-boats, which have already been ordered, will carry sixty passengers each.

The service will be operated twice weekly, the American company and Imperial Airways each flying one machine in each direction weekly. For six months, the northern route via Newfoundland will be used, and the southern route, via Bermuda and the Azores, for the remainder of the year.

The transit time will be between twenty-four and thirty hours.—*Reuter.*

STEEL SHORTAGE IN AMERICA

Allegation Against Manufacturers

Washington, Feb. 15.

The suggestion that the steel industry's failure to bid on Government contracts, which is reported to be holding up the naval construction programme in Government yards, might be a result of "collusion" on the part of manufacturers, was made by a spokesman for the Committee of Industrial Organisation to-day.

He urged a federal investigation, alleging that manufacturers were withholding supplies of steel from the Navy Department as a protest against the Walsh-Healey law which imposes a 40-hour week and other conditions on firms tendering for Government contracts.

The Navy has been vainly endeavouring to purchase 11,000 tons of steel, but there is no delay of construction of naval vessels in private yards, whose owners are not subject to the Walsh-Healey act in their purchases.—*Reuter.*

NAVAL DISCUSSION IN LONDON

London, Feb. 15.

A meeting took place at the Foreign Office on Saturday between the United Kingdom and delegates engaged in conversation with the object of extending, by bilateral agreement, the principles of the London Naval Treaty of 1936.

No serious divergencies of opinion were found to exist in the course of these discussions, and steps were taken to prepare a draft agreement.

Similar conversations are proceeding with the Soviet delegation with the object of reaching an Anglo-Russian bilateral agreement.—*British Wireless.*

SIBERIAN RAILWAY DOUBLE TRACK

Last Four Hundred
Miles In Hand

Moscow, Feb. 15.

The conversion of the trans-Siberian Railway from a single to a double track will be completed during the spring, states the construction manager, M. Frenkel. Operations are now proceeding on the last four hundred miles from Karamakaya to Kharbarovsk, of the new 1,300-mile track, which is of the greatest strategic and economic importance. This will double the traffic in a region abounding in precious metals, minerals and oil.—*Reuter.*

NEW WESTERN PACT CONCLUSION

German Attitude Defined In Commons

London, Feb. 15.

Answering questions in the House of Commons to-night, Lord Cranborne, deputising for the Foreign Minister, Mr. Anthony Eden, stated that the diplomatic conversations on the preparation of the Five Power Conference about the conclusion of a new Western Pact are in full swing.

The questioner, a Labour Member, had wanted to know whether it was true that in view of the new Soviet Pact the Reichsgovernment has withdrawn its offer of March 1936 about a Western Pact. Lord Cranborne stated that the Reichsgovernment had made no statement to the British Government to that effect.—*Transocean News Service.*

DERBYSHIRE MINE EXPLOSION

London, Feb. 16.

Seven were killed and four injured in a colliery explosion in Derbyshire. All the remaining miners in the pits were brought to the surface unharmed.

The cause of the accident is unknown, but mine officials stated that a full investigation will be made.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

THREE DESTROYERS IN COLLISION

Malta, Feb. 16.

The British destroyers Active, Worcester and Antelope were involved in a collision off Hurdbank, Malta.

It is stated that only slight damage was done and the vessels are returning to harbour under their own steam.—*Reuter.*

POPE'S HEALTH

Rome, Feb. 15.

Pope Pius' condition is steadily improving, and it is hoped that he will soon be able to move about again. He made the first attempt to stand up and walk yesterday.—*Transocean News Service.*

Australian Contingent For Coronation

Melbourne, Feb. 16.

The Australian contingent attending the Coronation in London sailed to-day from Melbourne. The contingent consists of two hundred picked men, all over six feet tall, and selected from the defence forces of the Commonwealth.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

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Flying Eagle	Canton 8.15 a.m.	Kowloon 11.10 a.m.

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	LEAVE	ARRIVE
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(Hong Kong Currency)

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2nd Class Single	...	\$2.00
3rd " "	...	\$1.00

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(Canton Currency)

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BRITAIN ARMING FOR PEACE

London, Feb. 16.

In a speech last night, Mr. Duff Cooper, Secretary for War, said that Britain was arming in order to promote the cause of peace in the world. The British Empire had no greater interest than that of peace.

In arming for peace they were also arming for the interests of Britain. There was a general feeling that the emergency was so great and danger so real that whatever sacrifices might be necessary those sacrifices must be borne.—*British Wireless.*

TERRITORIAL ARMY RECRUITING

Free Hoarding Space For Campaign

London, Feb. 16.

Free hoarding space worth £20,000 has been placed at the disposal of the authorities by the British Poster Advertising Association in London and 38 counties in England and Wales in connection with the campaign for recruits for the Territorial Army.—*British Wireless.*

CORONATION OATH BILL PASSED

Capetown, Feb. 15.

Britain and all the Dominions have agreed on the form of the Coronation Oath, which will be published shortly, declared Mr. O. Pirow, Minister of Defence, during an Assembly debate on the Coronation Oath Bill.

The Minister stated that in addition to the constitutional oath, the King would take an oath to satisfy the religious feelings of the citizens of South Africa and other parts of the Commonwealth. The Bill overwhelmingly passed its third reading.—*Reuter.*

Aircraft Manufacture In Australia

London, Feb. 16.

Australia will soon be able to construct all kinds of aeroplanes and aeronautical apparatus, according to a report published by the Commonwealth Aircraft Organisation. Some 30 acres of land have been acquired near the Yarra River for the purpose of constructing aircraft manufacturing plants.—*Transocean News Service.*

PRINCE ERIK'S MARRIAGE

Swedish King Sanctions Annulment

Copenhagen, Feb. 16.

The action for the annulment of the marriage of Prince Erik of Sweden and the Canadian millionaire Louise Booth, which was instituted by both parties, has now received the sanction of King Christian of Sweden.

The marriage, which took place in Ottawa in 1924, was one of the outstanding social events of that year.—*Transocean News Service.*

JUNIOR BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIP

At the Engineers' Institute yesterday evening, R. F. da Luz, playing in a Senior Championship billiards game defeated M. N. Rakusen by 500 to 394 points.

The winner made a break of 36 while the other made one of 32 points.

Meeting Mui Chan Ted at the Club Lusitano in a Junior Championship game, Wong Yiu Chee won by 300 to 247 points. Wong was the better of the two players, scoring 57 points at one time. Mui's highest break was 31 points.

MANUEL QUEZON'S PARTY

The majority of Senor Manuel Quezon's party, who recently passed through Hong Kong to accompany the President of the Philippines Commonwealth on his trip to Washington to confer with President Franklin Roosevelt of the United States, are arriving to-day in the Colony by the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia.

The party, comprising of sixteen members of the original entourage, is being headed by Mesdames Quezon and Yulo, and are intending to remain here for a week. They will leave for Manila on the Empress of Japan.

MR. KIRKPATRICK FOR CANTON

Shanghai, Feb. 16.

Mr. William Kirkpatrick, representative in China for the Exports Credit Department in London, seen by Reuter, said that he tentatively planned to proceed to Canton about Feb. 22 or 23.—*Reuter.*

DRAW MADE IN COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

TSUI WAI PUI TO MEET LEE IN SINGLES

Good Early Round Matches Promised

THE DRAW IN THE OPEN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS HAVE BEEN MADE AND A GLANCE THROUGH THEM WILL GIVE THE INDICATION THAT EVEN IN THE EARLY ROUNDS, SOME EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD MATCHES SHOULD BE SEEN.

Dealing with the singles first, one not unnaturally looks to see, before anything else, who the holder is drawn against. Tsui Wai-pui will meet his club-mate, H. N. Lee, and although the latter is not expected to win, the general opinion is that he will put up a good fight.

The most interesting match in the first round promises to be that between H. D. Rumjahn and Luk Chun-cheong while the game between J. W. Leonard and D. J. N. Anderson also ought to go the full three sets.

The Tsui brothers are not defending their title in the doubles as "Yan-pui" will not be in the Colony for the tournament. As a result the older Tsui is partnering Paul Kong and they have drawn a bye against their club-mates, Lu Tak-lam and Luk Chun-cheong, and this promises to be a great game.

THE DRAW

The Rumjahn cousins, who are out to regain the title that was wrested from them last year by the Tsuis, meet George Choa and J. W. Leonard while W. C. Hung and E. C. Fletcher, fancied by a large following for the title, will meet A. L. Sullivan and H. Owen Hughes, the Hong Kong Cricket Club first string pair.

The result of the draw is given below:—

CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES

S. A. Rumjahn v. A. L. Sullivan.
Firdos Khan v. F. Grose.
B. O'M. Deane v. G. E. Clarke.
G. C. Burnett v. A. Crawford.
Paul Kong v. W. A. S. Grant.
J. W. Leonard v. D. Anderson.
Wong Shiu Wing v. S. A. Hussain.
Capt. Coppinger v. S. S. Chin.
E. C. Fletcher v. W. C. Hung.
T. C. Monaghan v. P. F. Tsui.
I. M. A. Razack v. Wong Fuk Nam.
H. Y. Ho v. D. Nickson.
Lu Tak Cheuk v. M. Pagh.
Y. W. Lee v. Y. N. Tam.
A. Warr v. H. P. Ong.
S. W. Liang v. Ma Chin Chong.
H. D. Rumjahn v. Luk Chun Cheung.
Li Kwan Hung v. Chan Kam Hung.
H. Owen Hughes v. Ng Kam Chuen.
W. J. Howard v. J. D. Holmes.
Lee Wai Tong v. J. F. Leys.
S. A. Gray v. S. Wong.
Major J. D. Milne v. Leong Ping-chiu.
Marland v. Lu Tak Lam.
G. Bodiker v. P. H. Kwok.
George Choa v. C. P. Ip.
J. M. Tomlinson v. K. Shute.
Wei Chung v. S. S. Hussain.
Chan Sing Toa v. Y. C. Lau.
F. V. Harrison v. Ma Nai Kwong.
Major R. L. Withington v. P. C. Lee.
H. N. Lee v. Tsui Wai Pui.

CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES

Byes
P. C. Lee and C. C. Ma v. Lee Wai Tong and Lu Tak-cheuk.
S. A. Gray and A. Crawford v. P. F. Tsui and Ng Kam Chuen.
Wong Shiu Wing and Luk Ding Cheong v. Y. N. Tam and S. Wong.
J. C. Pool and R. M. Henry v. G. C. Burnett and A. W. Ramsey.
O. E. C. Marton and D. B. Evans v. J. D. Holmes and J. M. Tomlinson.
S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn v. George Choa and J. W. Leonard.

First Round

F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang v. A. V. Gogano and A. V. Remedios.
T. G. Koo and S. Chin v. Ma Nai Kwong and Li Kwan Hung.
W. M. Barton and A. C. I. Bowker v. Y. C. Lau and H. N. Lee.
Ng Sze Kwong and Hon Luen Fung v. H. T. Bee and H. Y. Hsu.
B. O'M. Deane and J. F. Leys v. E. L. H. Shute and K. Shute.
D. Nickson and Lt.-Cdr. H. G. Bowerman v. S. S. Hussain and S. A. Hussain.

Byes

G. W. Sewell and T. C. Monaghan v. A. Warr and G. E. Clarke.
Chan Kam Moon and Chan Kam Hung v. Lt.-Cdr. Rump and C. Ravenhill.
E. C. Fletcher and W. C. Hung v. A. L. Sullivan and H. Owen Hughes.
Dr. A. M. Rodrigues and L. A. Silva v. H. P. Ong and J. Hsu.
Major R. L. Withington and Major J. D. Milne v. Wong Fuk Nam and Lui Kwai-tun.
Tsui Wai Pui and Paul Kong v. Lu Tak Lam and Luk Chun Cheung.
W. M. Cheung and M. C. Hung v.

F. R. Zimmermann and D. J. N. Anderson.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Byes

M. Pagh v. R. M. Henry.
A. K. Mackenzie

First Round

W. A. S. Grant v. J. F. Leys.
H. Owen Hughes v. T. C. Monaghan.

A. S. Read v. R. M. Wood.
F. V. Harrison v. A. C. I. Bowker.

J. F. L. Smalley v. G. E. R. Divett.
J. C. Pool v. V. R. Gordon.

B. O'M. Deane v. F. A. Redmond.
C. W. Sewell v. R. L. D. Wodehouse.

Dr. L. T. Ride v. W. M. Barton.

Byes
G. Polglase v. J. Thomson.
Major R. L. Withington v. A. L. Sullivan.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Large Number Of Entries

The Hong Kong Cricket Club are holding their tennis tournament in conjunction with the open championship which are due to start early in March and the entries received have been very encouraging. It is interesting to note that R. Hancock and T. E. Pearce, two of the Colony's best-known sportsmen, have entered the Handicap Doubles event.

The following are the full entries:—

Club Championship
F. V. Harrison, R. M. Henry, G. W. Sewell, M. Pagh, J. Thomson, J. F. Leys, R. L. D. Wodehouse, Major R. L. Withington, W. M.

Barton, F. A. Redmond, H. Owen Hughes, Dr. L. T. Ride, J. C. Pool, G. E. R. Divett, T. C. Monaghan, A. C. I. Bowker, B. O'M. Deane, A. S. Read, J. F. L. Smalley, A. K. Mackenzie, G. Polglase, A. L. Sullivan, and R. M. Wood.

Handicap Singles "A"

F. V. Harrison, R. M. Henry, T. C. Monaghan, A. C. I. Bowker, J. Thomson, J. F. L. Smalley, A. K. Mackenzie, C. C. Stark, J. T. B. Evans, H. Owen Hughes, Dr. L. T. Ride, J. C. Pool, G. E. R. Divett, M. Pagh, R. K. Valentine, A. S. Read, Major R. L. Withington, W. M. Barton, G. Polglase, F. A. Joseph, and R. M. Wood.

Handicap Singles "B"

F. A. Dunnett, W. Wooding, G. S. Chambers, J. R. Collis, N. K. Littlejohn, D. S. Robb, R. M. King, O. A. Hansen, F. R. Childs, W. Stoker, A. H. McBride, E. H. Williams, L. R. Andrews, E. M. Bryden, D. J. L. Prophet, and G. Smith.

Handicap Doubles

R. G. L. Oliphant and A. M. Mack, F. V. Harrison and A. S. Read, J. C. Pool and R. M. Henry, J. R. Richardson and R. M. Wood, R. Hancock and T. E. Pearce, G. E. R. Divett, and B. O'M. Deane, G. W. Sewell and E. Bathurst, W. Wooding and H. F. Green, W. Stoker and D. L. Prophet, T. C. Monaghan and V. R. Gordon, G. S. Chambers and J. Hall, M. Pagh and J. Thomson, A. C. I. Bowker and R. K. Valentine, A. H. McBride and N. K. Littlejohn, A. H. Fenn and J. R. Collis, E. H. Williams and L. R. Andrews, F. G. Nigel and R. M. King, E. M. Bryden and D. S. Robb, Major R. L. Withington and A. K. Mackenzie, C. C. Stark and F. A. Joseph, F. A. Redmond and L. Forster, J. Rodger and G. S. Rodger, O. R. C. Marton and D. B. Evans, Dr. L. T. Ride and J. F. Leys, and R. H. Griffiths and Dr. J. A. R. Selfy.

Mixed Handicap Doubles

F. V. Harrison and Miss D. Dodwell, J. C. Pool and Miss V. K. Allen, T. C. Monaghan and Miss M. Corrigan, A. C. I. Bowker and Mrs. J. R. Collis, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. R. L.

INDIAN POLICE AT HOCKEY

Tamar Beaten By Two Goals

At a hockey match played yesterday at the Royal Naval Recreation ground, King's Park, the H.M.S. Tamar team suffered a defeat when they met the Hong Kong Indian Police. The latter won three goals to one.

The match proved to be a rather exciting one, both sides making attacks in turn.

About ten minutes after the commencement of the match, J. Singh, the centre forward scored the first goal for the Police, and a little later the inside left added another.

Shortly after the resumption J. Singh scored the third goal for the Police.

Tamar scored their only goal through H.M. Forster towards the close of the game.

THIL WINS ON A FOUL

Brouillard Disqualified

Paris, Feb. 15.

Marcel Thill of France, veteran holder of the world's middleweight boxing title, to-night successfully retained the championship, when he beat Lou Brouillard, the French Canadian, who was disqualified in the sixth round for an alleged foul blow.

After the first round, which was even, Thill won the second, third, fourth and fifth rounds. In the sixth round Thill dashed from his corner and received an apparently low blow, which sent him to the canvas.

The referee counted the holder out and awarded the fight to Brouillard, and then reversed his decision! Brouillard lost in similar manner in a title bout against Marcel Thill on January 20, last year.—*Reuter*.

D. Wodehouse, J. F. L. Smalley and Miss Smalley, Major R. L. and Mrs. Withington, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Mackenzie, G. Polglase and Mrs. R. M. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sullivan, and W. Wooding and Miss Ward.

BACK FROM CUP-TIE TO LEAGUE

Charlton's Quick Recovery From Loss Of Form

For one week only the footballers of the leading clubs were switched back from Cup to League affairs, writes a *Reuter* correspondent. The games which intervene between the third and fourth rounds of the Cup competition are regarded by supporters and officials of the clubs as vitally important. On the one hand, there is the fear that the players of the clubs which failed in the Cup competition will be depressed. On the other hand, there is the hope, among the clubs successful in the third round of the Cup, that the victories in that competition will have a tonic effect.

The evidence under these heads, as shown by the results returned was not wholly convincing. Some of the teams knocked out of the Cup showed that this experience had not depressed them unduly, while others failed to reveal that sustained inspiration had come to them from a triumph, even though unexpected, in the Cup competition.

Among the clubs in the First Division who made a quick recovery from an unexpected blow in the Cup competition, was Charlton Athletic. They alone, of the obvious challengers for the First Division championship, registered an away success in their section. The defeat of Birmingham, coupled with the success of some of the other lowly-placed clubs, places the Midlands side in an anxious position, and fears must arise as to whether they will follow Aston Villa into the Second Division. It would be strange indeed if the huge centre of Birmingham were left at the end of the season without a First Division representative. That, however, must be regarded as a possibility.

RAIN THE SPOILER

Rain, turning most of the pitches into quagmires, kept down the attendances, and the muddy ground was responsible for several players being injured. Under such conditions pulled muscles are a frequent occurrence. Stoke, the Birmingham half-back, suffered in this manner in the match against Charlton compelling a rearrangement of the side. The first goal to the London side was obtained from a penalty-kick by John Oakes, around whom controversy has raged during the past few days in consequence of an incident in the Cup-tie against Coventry the previous week. Both the Charlton goals scored at Birmingham were obtained after Stoker's injury. Wilkinson, the outside-right, giving his side the lead. Thus Charlton retain their place in the

League table, second to Arsenal, with an equal number of points.

TIED DEFENDERS

The most brilliant forward of Wolverhampton Wanderers, Bryn Jones, also pulled a thigh muscle in the match against Arsenal, and was forced to retire. Arsenal retained their position at the top of the table, winning by three goals, all of which were obtained during the last twenty minutes of the game. The extra efforts necessary on the part of the Wolverhampton players to make up for the handicap of being a man short told their tale clearly. Until the defenders tired, Wolverhampton had left a favourable impression on the spectators at Highbury, as a young, go-ahead and thoroughly efficient side, playing football which may make them a different proposition for Cup-tie opponents.

Two sides which are considered by many to have a chance of winning both Cup and League championships, were in opposition at Brentford. After a succession of away defeats, Sunderland gained a point in a thrilling game, which ended with the score three goals each. Sunderland had a splendid opportunity of winning. Carter, their inside-right, failing to score with a penalty kick. The biggest attendance, on a day when the grand total showed a drop of something like two hundred thousand compared with an average good-weather Saturday, was present to see the two Liverpool teams in conflict. Unusual events have often been associated in the past with meetings between Liverpool and Everton. Last season Liverpool

GOOD WATERLOO BACKS

Scottish Beaten In The Mud

Waterloo, on their way to Twickenham, spent the morning at the Richmond Athletic Ground, where they were not unduly troubled in beating London Scottish by a goal, a dropped goal and a try to a penalty goal and a try.

On any other day many more people would have wished to watch one of the strongest sides in the North. They had not a full team out, but, nevertheless, were good enough to beat the Scottish at their own game in the mud. Both teams were evenly matched at forward, and it was the advantage of Waterloo at back, in spite of H. Lind, that made most of the difference. Time and again, especially in the second half, London Scottish were on the point of scoring through spirited foot-rushes, but the calm passing of the Waterloo backs on their own line was almost disdaining, and nothing could be more discouraging than the accurate kicking of their full-back, H. J. M. Urrah.

The sun shone strongly after heavy rain, and the scene looked all the muddier. Waterloo, for all their command of the first half, could pierce a resolute defence only once, when A. B. Lathwaite on the left scored a good try, which J. H. Chubb did not convert. A fine drop at goal by C. A. Webster, however, brought Waterloo four more points before half-time.

An early happening in the second half was a penalty goal for the Scottish kicked by A. B. W. Buchanan, and for a long time it seemed that their forwards' sturdy assault must succeed. The backs ruined many a chance through passing too hurriedly, and it needed the adroit side-step and another strong run of Lathwaite for Waterloo to show what a third quarter wing should be. Chubb kicked an easy goal, and by now the match was light-hearted. The Scottish spent most of the time attacking, but it was not until the last minute that Lind came through, gave a neat pass to J. O. Young as he was tackled for the latter to race on, very quickly for a forward, and score a try. Buchanan's kick was badly sliced and that was the end.

won the corresponding game by six goals, and a short time previously the "freak" result of seven goals to four was returned. The game in question was not lacking in excitement, three goals being scored in the first sixteen minutes. Riley, back in the Liverpool goal, made many sensational saves in the closing stages.

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**SOLVING THE GOLF SWING
TROUBLE**

An appliance was demonstrated at a London store which, if it did all that was claimed for it, would solve the golfer's greatest trouble—his swing. Roughly it is a belt worn low on the hips and attached to a rubber tube at the end of which is a loop joined to the club just beneath the head. The vital points are that the tube, with the club, should be stretched taut to the ground, and that for driving the hands should be just above this tube, while for "the short game" the hands should be just below. This could only be done, the demonstrator said if one stood correctly. Then the drive or mashie shot had to follow correctly. It was not a fool-proof device by any means, and for a time at

SNOOKER POOL

**W. Smith's Narrow
Win**

The match of 71 games at snooker pool between W. Smith and S. Smith was concluded at Thurston's Hall in Leicester Square on January 23, when W. Smith was successful by one game—36 to 35.

It was one of the keenest matches played this season, the safety play on many occasions resulting in the scoring being low and the breaks small. W. Smith, who is 51 years old, has always been a most difficult player to beat both at billiards and snooker, and the younger player had every reason to be satisfied with his achievement of really sharing the honours in a very hard-fought match.

TEST OF TEMPERAMENT

There is no finer test of the temperament of a player than a keen match such as this, and it is a tribute to S. Smith's powers of recovery that he was beaten by only the odd game in so long a match when at one time his opponent had held a lead of eight games.

**Jack Doyle
Disqualified**

There was a sensational finish to the Jack Doyle and Alf Robinson fight at Wembley recently, the Irishman being disqualified in the first round on the ground that he hit his opponent when Robinson was down, writes Peter Wilson.

Robinson landed the first real punch—a snappy left to the nose—which sent the Irishman upon his heels, but a swinging right from Doyle, which landed to the chin, sent Robinson down for a count of seven.

The Manchester boxer rose unsteadily to his feet to crash under a barrage of punches to the jaw for another count of seven.

Very pluckily Robinson stood up under the hail of blows, but another right swing to the point sent him down yet again for a third count of seven.

For the fourth time Robinson's knees buckled under him and he pitched into the ropes with his right glove on the canvas.

Doyle towered over him, a menacing figure, and before Jack Smith, the referee, could get between the two men Doyle had landed another "smashing" blow to the face.

Immediately pandemonium broke out. Boos and catcalls of disapproval rent the air.

But the referee was not counting. He pushed Doyle back to his corner and beckoned the announcer to the ring.

Again, to a mixture of cheers and boos, it was announced that Doyle had been disqualified.

SIR LEWIS SHEDDEN

It is appropriate that in the centenary year of the Glasgow Unionist Association Sir Lewis Shedden should celebrate his jubilee as the Association's secretary. He was first associated with the organisation in 1884, and became its secretary three years later. The last fifty years have seen some brilliant leaders of the party and many momentous political events. Sir Lewis has been closely associated with the great politicians of these years, from Joseph Chamberlain to Mr Baldwin, and including Bonar Law, Lord Balfour, and Sir Austen, and Mr Neville Chamberlain. Sir Lewis was joint secretary of the famous Glasgow demonstration in 1903 when Joseph Chamberlain opened his fiscal reform campaign. At all times he has maintained his level-headed outlook on affairs, and has always been shrewd, urbane, and approachable.

least the correct shot would not in fact follow unless a watchful professional was at hand, but the great advantage was that the device did carry its own methods of fault-detection. Professionals have, apparently, scratched their heads about it a good deal trying to find the flaw, but so far as it goes it seems flawless, and it was no surprise to hear when first shown—at this year's amateur championships—it aroused much curiosity. Yet it could not guarantee that the eye would remain on the ball or that the golfer, stripped of the device, would not return to his old ways, and, failing that guarantee, it cannot turn us all into a Jones or a Cotton.

RUGBY LEAGUE

SALFORD SET THE PACE

**WEAKENED STREATHAM SIDE
OVERWHELMED**

With the fall of Leeds at Huddersfield, the Rugby League leadership changed hands for the third week in succession, and the pace is now set by Salford, one of four Lancashire clubs in the first six, writes a Home correspondent.

While the Lancashire club were well to the fore, it was a bad day for the most prominent Yorkshire clubs. Castleford lost further ground in failing for the second successive week, and Bradford Northern suffered a sharp set-back at Batley.

The first appearance of Dave Brown, the Australian Test star, did not produce any sensational results, but he helped Warrington to gain the easiest victory of the day against Leigh. Brown was probably not as outstanding as a crowd of 8,000 would have liked, but he picked up smartly to score his try and what was probably more important in view of the approach of the Cup-ties, showed that he is fit. On a heavy ground he lusted the pace well.

Leigh opened the scoring with a penalty goal by Farrington, but lost Davies, their scrum half, who was dismissed, before the interval, and long before the end they were a thoroughly beaten side. Their line was crossed nine times. Jenkins scored three tries, and Holding kicked seven goals.

Risman, the Salford captain, had a hard day against Streatham and Mitcham, whose weakened side were routed at Weaste. He scored four tries and kicked six goals—24 points—including the converting of tries by Jenkins, Brown and Miller. Streatham fought pluckily to the end, but they never showed real attacking ability.

Reverse For Leaders

With Eric Harris—who missed only his third game in five seasons owing to the flu—Leeds fell at Fartown, where the determination and loose forward rushes of Huddersfield, supported by solid work in the scrum, brought the home side a well-merited win. Royal (try) and Sherwood (four goals) scored for Huddersfield. Fred Harris crossed for Leeds, who looked like making a fight of it early in the second half, but were felled by a splendid defence.

Also weakened by the flu, which claimed Atkinson, Adams and Taylor, Castleford lost their away game in Yorkshire this season at Craven Park where Hull

**ARMY'S UNIFORM
AT CORONATION**

**New Design Approved
By The King**

Army clothing contractors have now started production of the new blue uniform to be worn by troops at the Coronation.

The uniform was submitted to King Edward on Dec. 2, nine days before his abdication, and he suggested minor modifications. The design, in incorporating the alterations, has now been approved by King George.

Approximate 50,000 Regular and Territorial troops will be supplied with the uniform. The only exceptions will be the Household Cavalry and the Guards, who will wear their existing uniforms, and the rifle regiments, who will revert to their dark green.

NO COLOURED FACINGS

The new uniform will not be worn in public until the Coronation. Whether it will become the permanent ceremonial and walking-out uniform for Regulars and Territorials has not yet been decided.

A feature of the uniform, which is made of serge, is its particularly smart cut. It will fit the figure more closely than the khaki jacket.

The new tunic will be plain blue, without any coloured facings on cuffs or collar. Buttons will be brass.

The colours of the regimental facings will be worn on the cap and incorporated in the stripes on the trousers, which will also be blue.

The colour of the facings has always been a point of special regimental pride. In more than one instance they have actually given a name to the regiment, as, for example, the Buffs and the Green Howards. Blue is the colour for most Royal regiments, though the newly honoured Royal Norfolk's still retain their yellow facings.

Scottish regiments will also wear blue tunics, but they will be cut away at the front for wear with the kilt or trews.

Officers will continue to wear the existing full-dress uniform.



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ROYAL NAVY

Launch Of The Liverpool

H.M.S. Liverpool will be launched at the Govan shipyard of the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Company on March 24. This is the first of the three cruisers of the 1935 construction programme. Her keel was laid on February 17, 1933.

A speeding up in the rate of construction is indicated by the launch of the Liverpool in March of the year following her laying down. The first cruiser of the 1934 programme, H.M.S. Glasgow, was launched on June 20, 1936, or three months later in the year; and the first of the 1933 programme, H.M.S. Penelope, on October 15, 1936, or seven months later in the year.

MINESWEEPERS FOR SINGAPORE

The 2nd Minesweeping Flotilla from Malta left for Singapore on January 25, to form a reserve of minesweepers at this base. The Flotilla is commanded by Commander J. R. N. Taylor, in H.M.S. Abingdon, and includes the Huntley, Fareham, Aberdare, Harrow, Widney, Stoke, Derby, and Bagshot. It is due at Singapore on March 16 or 17.

COMMAND OF THE VISCONT
Commander P. G. L. Cazalet, who attended the course at the R.A.F. Staff College, Andover, during 1936, has assumed command of the destroyer Viscount, attached to the 5th and 6th Submarine Flotillas, Portland, in succession to Commander G. C. P. Menzies. Commander Cazalet specialized in anti-submarine duties in 1925-26 and afterwards held appointments in the Anti-Submarine Flotilla, Portland, and as A/S Officer, 4th Destroyer Flotilla, Mediterranean. He graduated at the R.N. Staff College in 1935.

APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments have been made by the Admiralty:-
Cdr.-V. N. Surtees, to Wildfire.
Lt.-Cdr.-S. R. H. Davenport, to Drake for R.N.B. (Feb. 1); R. H. D. Lane, to President, addl. as Officer Instr., Clyde Division, R.N.V.L. (March 1); C. L. Edwards and R. C. Haskett-Smith, to Wildfire.

Lt.-R. M. W. Macfarlane, to London (Feb. 1); J. W. Rylands, to Hazard (Feb. 15); C. W. McMullen, to Aurora (March 15); J. B. Herapath and J. S. M. Richardson, to Wildfire.

Cd. Engrs.-C. A. Carlton (retd.), to Erebus (Jan. 25); and E. J. Sawdy, to Sharpshooter (Jan. 28).

THOS. COOK

AND SON

High Degree Of Liquidity

Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son (Bankers) Ltd., have sent us the following reprint of an article which appeared in the "Financial Times".

"The very marked expansion exhibited by the balance-sheet of Thos. Cook and Son (Bankers) Ltd. at 31st October last has not impaired the customary high ratio of liquidity. No doubt a greater inclination on the part of the public to travel, now that times are more prosperous, has assisted a bank which plays a large part in the financing of tourists and others. Yet the period was still marked by many difficulties, and so pronounced an increase as the £775,100 which has taken deposits to £4,016,800—a rise of nearly 24 per cent.—thus becomes more than ever noteworthy. With the corresponding increase in assets well spread over the various categories, it is interesting to find that immediately liquid items—largely interest-bearing deposits with other banks—have grown rapidly enough to maintain fully their proportion of almost 83 per cent. to deposits."

COMPANY'S STRONG POSITION

Elsewhere the strength of the company's position is no less apparent. The published reserve of £125,000 equals the issued capital, while inner reserves, already substantial, have been further strengthened during the year. The bill holding has been allowed almost to run off, but investments of £602,800 are up by £119,300. Of their total, £519,900 are in British Government securities, and all are taken in at under market values, providing one of the sources of "hidden" strength. The company has shared with other banks in the greater demand for advances, the increase from £209,500 to £283,300 representing over 35 per cent. Altogether the year seems to have been one of most gratifying progress.

DEPOSITS EXPAND

The balance-sheet of Thos. Cook and Son (Bankers) for the year ended 31st October, just published, shows that the Bank's high degree of liquidity is fully maintained. Reserve at £125,000 is equal to the paid-up capital, and the substantial internal reserves have been further strengthened.

THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Hong Kong, Feb. 16.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 20 1/8 for both deliveries. Silver advices reported India as having sold. There was some general buying. The market, however, was quiet. After the official fixing the market appeared steady. American Silver was quoted at 44 3/4 for Spot.
The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 4.89 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 4.89 15/32.

MARKET

Dull but steady.

IN STERLING

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/2 29/32 February-April and probably May, buyers at 1/2 15/16 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

A small business was done at 30 3/8 for March delivery. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 30 3/8. February-March and 30 5/16 April-June, buyers at 30 7/16 February-March and 30 3/8 April-June.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

A small business was done at 102 1/4 for cash. There were sellers at 102 1/4 for cash, buyers at 102 5/16 cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

There were sellers of Sterling at 1/2 9/16, buyers at 1/2 19/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars, the market opened with sellers at 29 11/16, buyers at 29 3/4 for Spot. Later the market was indicated as being steadier with sellers at 29 3/4, buyers at 29 13/16 for cash.

IN THE AFTERNOON

The market was dull in the afternoon. No business was reported.

IN STERLING

The market closed with sellers at 1/2 29/32 February-April and probably May-June, buyers at 1/2 15/16 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers at 30 3/8 February-March and 30 5/16 April-June, buyers at 30 7/16 February-April and 30 3/8 May-June.

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Consol. Mines, .084 cts.

SELLERS

Docks, \$204.
Providents (Old), \$1.75.
Hotels, \$570.
Consol. Mines, .084.
Demonstrations, \$1.53.

A NEW POISON

A poison which can be used instead of arsenic in insecticides and is not injurious to human beings has been discovered in Brazil. It is called "Timbo" and is a new export commodity of the Amazon Valley. It is described in a Department of Overseas Trade report which was issued last month. The word "Timbo" is derived from an Indian word which the natives of the Amazon Valley use to denote any plant, shrub, or tree from which they extract poison, which they employ in catching fish in the rivers. Recent experiments, says the report, have shown that "rottenness," the basis of the poison, can replace arsenic as an ingredient in insecticides and eliminate the danger in their use, as it is not injurious to man or warm-blooded animals.

"Timbo" can be exported either as a root or a powder, but to encourage local industry export in powder form only has hitherto been allowed from the State of Para. The largest importer is the United States, which took 227 tons of the total exports amounting to 253 tons in 1935.

Current, deposit and other accounts amount to £4,016,800, compared with £2,241,663 in the previous year. Liabilities for these accounts are covered by cash and short-term loans to approximately 83 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuters Service)

QUOTATIONS

New York, February 16.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York/London Cross-rate	4.89-11/32	4.89-14/32	4 up	
New York Cotton—Mar.	12.50	12.44	12.40	.04 up
New York Rubber—Mar.	31.75	31.33	31.33	.33 off
Chicago Wheat—May	137 1/2	137 1/2	137 1/2	2 off
Chicago Corn—May	110	109 1/2	109 1/2	1 up
Silver—Official	—	—	—	unchanged

	High	Low	Close	Change
Dow Jones Averages	138 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2	1.64 off
30 Industrial	120.70	113.11	113.03	189.58 107.15 188.39
20 Rail	60.45	40.66	40.60	57.96 57.11 57.37
20 Utilities	37.73	28.23	28.12	34.26 34.76 35.09
40 Bonds	108.01	98.32	104.37	104.23
11 Commodity Index	81.57	85.58	76.05	75.77
Business Done	—	—	—	1,900,000 shares.

Stocks	Last Sale	Feb. 13	15
Adams Express	17 1/2	18 1/2	
Allis Chalmers	78 1/2	75 1/2	
Amer. Can.	109 1/2	107 1/2	
Am. Car & Foundry	32 1/2	33 1/2	
Amer. Cyanamid	11 1/2	11 1/2	
Amer. & For. Power	33 1/2	32 1/2	
Amer. Locomotive	56 1/2	56 1/2	
Amer. Metals	63 1/2	61 1/2	
Amer. Radiator	28 1/2	27 1/2	
Amer. Rolling Mill	37 1/2	36 1/2	
Amer. Smelting	91 1/2	91 1/2	
Amer. Steel P'dies.	68 1/2	67 1/2	
Amer. Sugar	52 1/2	52 1/2	
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	182 1/2	181 1/2	
Amer. Tobacco "B"	95 1/2	95 1/2	
Amer. Waterworks	25 1/2	25 1/2	
Anaconda Copper	55 1/2	55 1/2	
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	77 1/2	74 1/2	
Atlantic Refining	34 1/2	34 1/2	
Atlas Corp.	33 1/2	33 1/2	
Auburn Motors	33 1/2	33 1/2	
Baldwin Locomotive	114 1/2	114 1/2	
Baltimore & Ohio	25 1/2	25 1/2	
Barnard Oil	33 1/2	33 1/2	
Bendix Aviation	89 1/2	88 1/2	
Bethlehem Steel	43 1/2	43 1/2	
Boeing Airplane	27 1/2	27 1/2	
Borden Co.	57 1/2	57 1/2	
Briggs Manufacturing	47 1/2	46 1/2	
Brooklyn-Manhattan	172 1/2	168 1/2	
Case, J.I.	18 1/2	18 1/2	
Canadian Pacific	18 1/2	18 1/2	
Celanese Corp.	32 1/2	32 1/2	
Cerro de Pasco	22 1/2	22 1/2	
Certain-Teed P'dies	78 1/2	77 1/2	
Chesapeake Corp.	68 1/2	67 1/2	
Chesapeake & Ohio	132 1/2	130 1/2	
Chrysler Corp.	17 1/2	17 1/2	
Columbia Gas & El.	102 1/2	102 1/2	
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	66 1/2	66 1/2	
Commercial Credit	19 1/2	18 1/2	
Commercial Solvents	3 1/2	3 1/2	
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Distillers Corp. Sea-	178 1/2	174 1/2	
grams	13 1/2	13 1/2	
Douglas Aircraft	19 1/2	19 1/2	
Du Pont	24 1/2	24 1/2	
Electric Boat	78 1/2	78 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share	85 1/2	85 1/2	
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Miners Lose Appeal

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A test appeal concerning a "lightning strike" of 1,100 men employed by the Upton (Yorks) Colliery Company, Limited, last year, came before Lord Hewart and Justices Swift and Goddard in a King's Bench Divisional Court last month.

As a test case, Mr. Patrick Conneely, of Field-lane, Upton, was the appellant, and the matter was before the Court on a special case stated by magistrates sitting at Pontefract.

Against the 1,100 miners concerned in the strike there had been awarded about £1,600 damages, with about £800 costs.

In 1932, in times of difficulty in the industry, the company "put off" 500 of their men, and many of them, by 1933, had gone to other pits, 180 remaining for work in the Upton mine.

An agreement came into force by which the company would not take on any "strangers" until all the old staff available had been absorbed, but apparently the company engaged several men from outside.

The men argued that the company had repudiated the agreement and refused to go into the mine, and the company sued 1,100 of them for damages for breach of contract.

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LIGHTSHIPS

New Vessels For Old

Old friends are to become new friends to the sailorman, writes a correspondent in the "Manchester Guardian." About twenty lightships are to be replaced by new vessels which will bring him, because 600,000 candle-power seems a very great light when one is looking for a navigable channel, and that is the use of a lightship—to mark a navigable channel. They are not like lighthouses, which give the seaman a knowledge of where he is. They mark a definite passage which has to be followed if the navigator wishes to be safe. Usually it is with a pilot aboard that one passes lightships.

FOG SIGNALS

The lightships which are to be replaced by the Board of Trade are nearly all wooden ships. The new vessels are to be all steel, and they are to have a fog signal that will be heard forty miles away. This is rather an interesting point—how far away can a fog signal be heard? The "Notice to Mariners" informs all shipmasters that a fog signal cannot be depended on for distance. That depends on atmosphere.

Mr. E. K. Chatterton tells us that the first lightship was the Nore, and Robert Hamlyn and David Avery have established that the original lightship of 1723 was near by where the present lightship is moored. In 1836 Trinity House took charge of all lightships and Scottish coasts, except those controlled by the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board. The Clyde Trust, now the Commissioners of Northern Lights, and the Commissioners of Irish Lights control their respective coasts, but any scheme they produce is first submitted to Trinity House, and the Board of Trade has the last word on the matter.

THE MEN ON BOARD

One cannot think of lightships and lightships without giving a thought to the people who serve in them. It would be safe to say that 90 per cent of the people who served in lightships before the beginning of this century were old deep-water men. Such is not the case to-day. Lightships are more than guiding lights to-day. The latest vessels have wireless, direction finders, submarine detectors, and a lot of other gadgets to assist the seafarers. It was suggested some time ago that all lightships should be supplied by the Lifeboat Society with a motor-lifeboat, but this scheme is not practicable. In the first place, it would deplete the already small crew of the lightship or it would mean that a lifeboat crew would have to stand by aboard the lightship for an emergency which might never arise. But that does not mean that lightship crews have not helped distressed seamen; in fact, it was after the crew of one of the Goodwin lightships had rescued the men from a foundering barge some years ago that the proposal of lightships with lifeboats was made.

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passenger Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN).

During the 24 hours ended at 9.00 a.m. yesterday, the freight returns, received from the Harbour Office, showed a fairly low tonnage movement.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 7,604 tons, with British steamers carrying 899 tons. Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 4,420 tons, of which 1,427 tons were carried by British steamers.

Asiatic deck passengers entering the Colony during the twenty-four hours ended at 9.00 a.m. yesterday were 147, of which 107 were from British steamers.

There were altogether nine arrivals of which four were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the 12 departures, eight were British ships. Particulars as follows:—

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage
British	4	2,323
Norwegian	4	9,349
Japanese	1	352
Total	9	12,024

IN WIRELESS TOUCH

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong Radio:—

Azuchi Maru, Gneisenau, Empress of Russia, Toyohiko Maru, Stuttgart, Nagara Maru, Empress of Asia, Cetina, Adria, Mary Moller, Bristane Maru, Huashan Maru, Samarang Maru, Toho Maru, Deucalion, Lieutenant St. Loubert, Conte Rosso, Canton, Tjibadak, Naldera.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The P. and O. s.s. Soudan left Singapore for this port on the 15th instant at noon, and is due here on the 19th instant at about 4 p.m.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Limited arrived at Vancouver on February 15 (Monday) at 2/4 a.m. and leaves Vancouver on February 20 (Saturday). She is due at Hong Kong on March 12 (Friday) in the morning and will leave Hong Kong for Manila on the same evening.

The B.I. and Apcar s.s. Santhia left Singapore for this port on the 13th instant, and is due here to-morrow.

The Butterfield and Swire's s.s. Titan is expected to arrive here from Kobe on February 19, 1937, at daylight.

ARRIVALS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16.

Fukuku Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,548 tons, Captain N. Hirose, from Canton, berthing at Osaka Shosen Kaisha's Wharf.—O. S. K.

Lieut. St. Loubert B.E. French str., 3,463 tons, Capt. G. Sabouret, from Dunkirk via Haiphong, general cargo, Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co.

Seistan, British steamer, 1,571 tons, Captain R. C. Cree, from Swatow, general cargo, berthing at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas & Co.

Nanchang, British steamer, 1,488 tons, Captain P. J. Green, from Canton, buoy No. B17.—B. & S.

Tak Sang, British steamer, 1,937 tons, Captain W. A. Balch, from Canton, buoy No. B2.—J. M. & Co.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

Tai Yang, Norwegian steamer, 3,003 tons, Captain H. Akselsen, from Davao via Manila, general cargo, buoy No. A4.—Dodwell & Co.

Mabella, Norwegian steamer, 840 tons, Captain Thorenfeldt, from Saigon, general cargo, berthing at buoy No. C1.—Thorensen & Co.

Kwangchow, British steamer, 1,572 tons, Captain W. J. King, from Haiphong and Pakhoi via Hoihow, general cargo, berthing at buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

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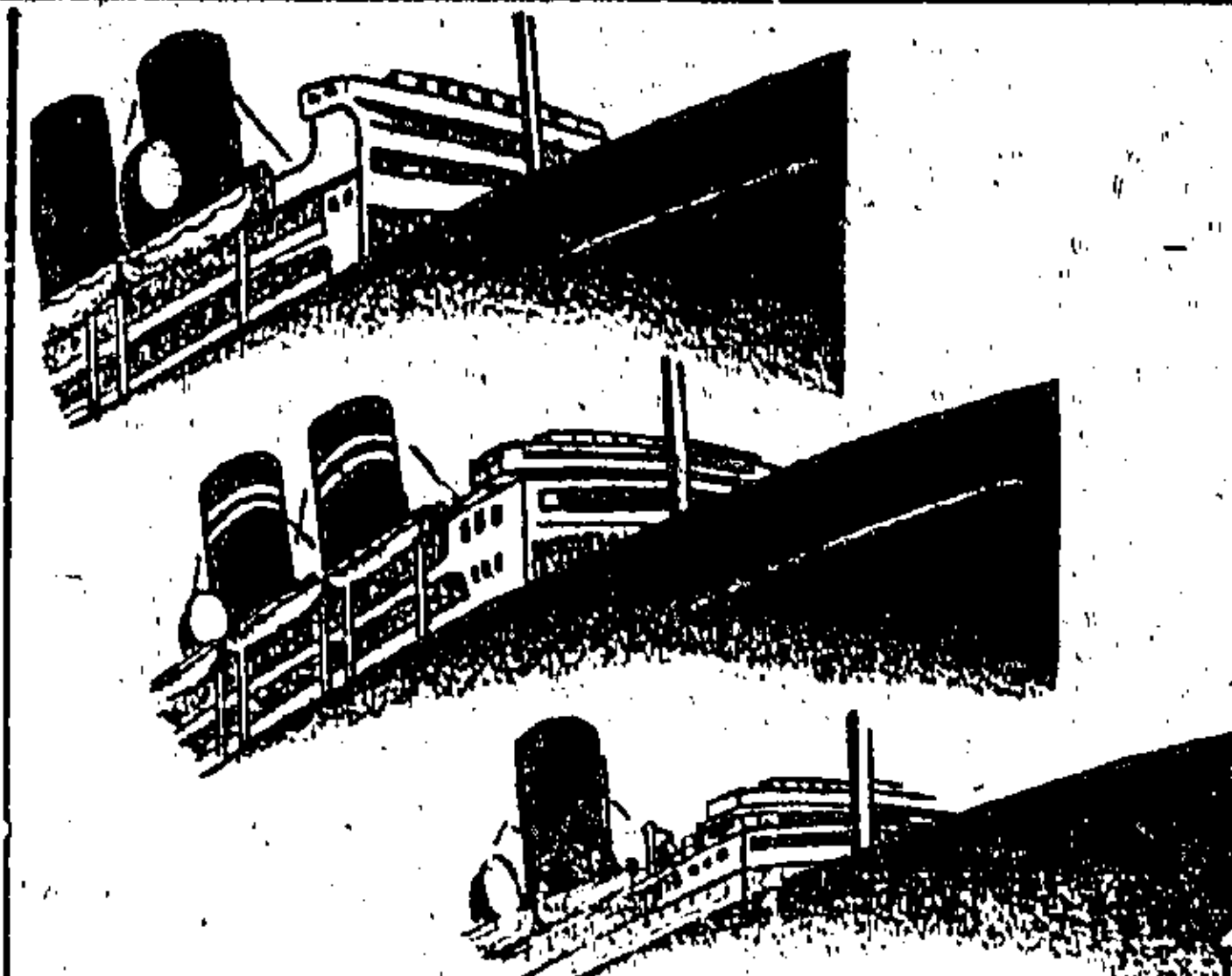
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Mirzapore for Singapore
Tchekam for Hoihow
Daisko Maru for Hongay
Fuo Shing for Canton
Heikou for Saigon
Seistan for Swatow
Lt. St. Loubert Bie for Shanghai
Tingara for Manila
Tai Yang for Shanghai

VESSELS DUE

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La Plata Maru, O.S.K., February 23.
Lippe, Melchers, March 3.
Memnon, B. & S., March 4.
Menelaus, B. & S., March 8.
Naldera, P. & O., Feb. 18.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., March 6.
Neckar, Melchers, March 12.
Neumark, Johnson's, March 2.
Niel Meerck, Johnson's, February 27.
Nordmark, Johnson's, February 18.
Patroclus, B. & S., February 27.
Pres. Doan, Messageries, March 10.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, Feb. 27.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, Feb. 27.
Proteus, B. & S., March 18.
Ranchi, P. & O., March 4.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Feb. 18.
Scharnhorst, Melchers, March 11.
Silvermaster, Farnes, Feb. 18.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apcar), March 15.
Soudan, P. & O., Feb. 19.
Sventer, B. & S., March 10.
Suisang, Jardine's, Feb. 25.
Tama, B.I. (Apcar), March 2.
Taiping, B. & S., March 9.
Tanda, E. & A. S.S. Co., March 2.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 27.
Templar, Thorensen's, March 13.
Tilawa, B.I. (Apcar), February 25.
Titan, B. & S., February 19.
Tjibadak, J.C. Line, Feb. 17.
Tokio Maru, N.Y.K., February 27.
Totford Maru, N.Y.K., February 27.
Ward, States, March 10.
Yamkuni Maru, N.Y.K., February 27.



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NALDERA	14,000	6th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
*BEHAR	8,000	13th Mar.	Mara, Havre, London, Hamburg, R'dam, Antwerp, & Hull
CARTHAGE	14,500	20th Mar.	Marseilles & London
*SOUDAN	8,000	27th Mar.	Mara, Havre, London, H'burg, R'dam, Antwerp, & Hull
RANCHI	17,000	3rd April	Bombay, Marseilles & London
CATHAY	18,000	17th April	Marseilles & London
RAJPUTANA	17,000	30th May	Marseilles & London
RAJPUTANA	17,000	13th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London
RAWALPINDI	17,000	26th May	do
CORFU	14,500	12th June	do

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SANTHIA	8,000	13th Mar.	Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta
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SEIBALA	8,000	24th Apr.	do



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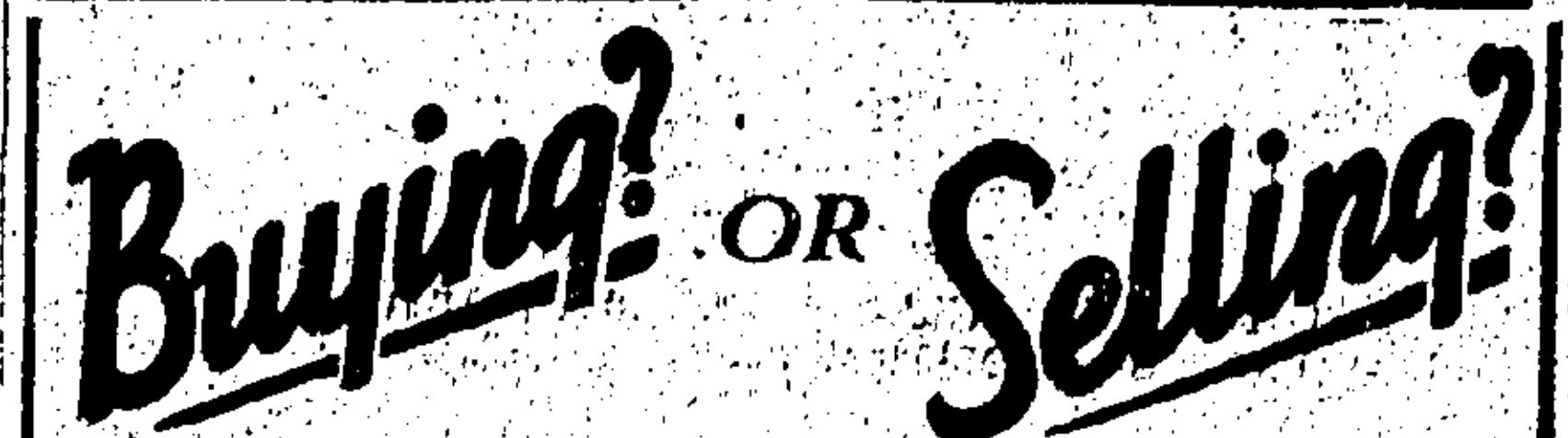
NALDERA	14,000	18th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
SANTHIA	8,000	19th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
*SOUDAN	7,000	19th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
TALMA	10,000	4th Mar.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
RANCHI	17,000	5th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan
NANKIN	7,000	7th Mar.	do
SIRDHANA	8,000	18th Mar.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
CATHAY	18,000	19th Mar.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
SEIBALA	8,000	1st Apr.	Shanghai & Japan
RAWALPINDI	8,000	15th Apr.	do

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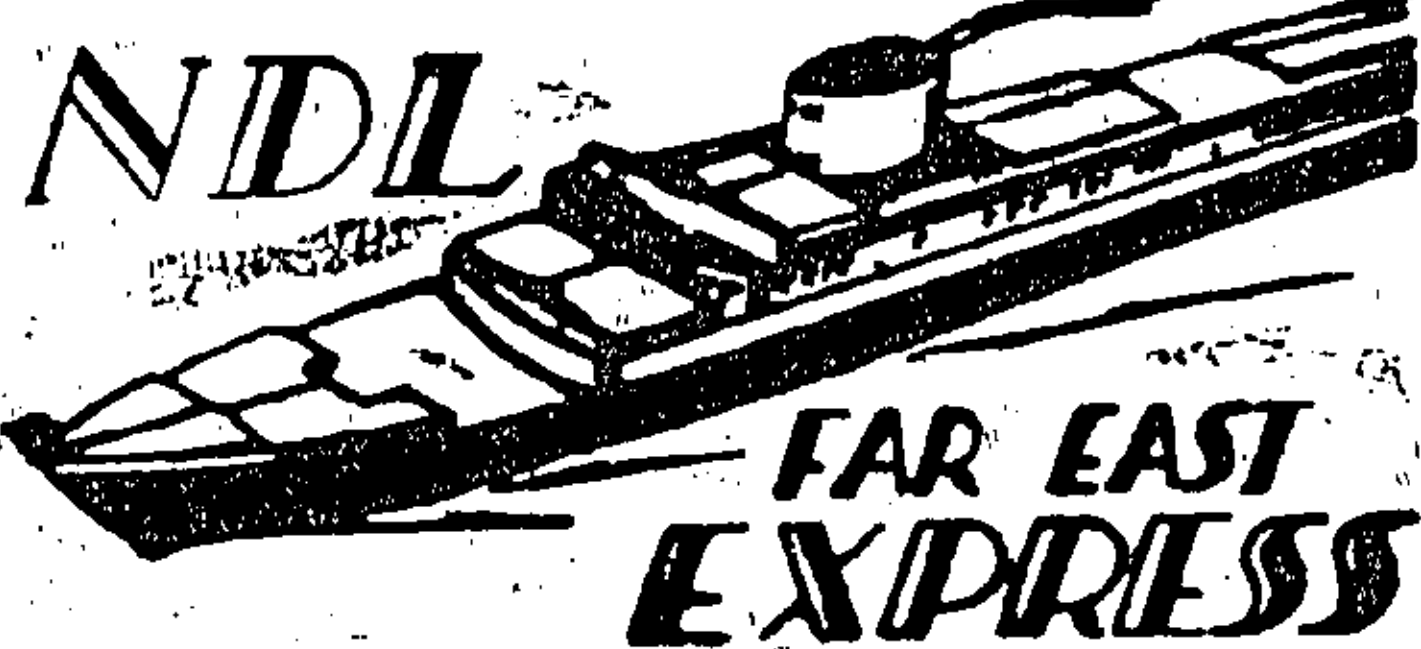
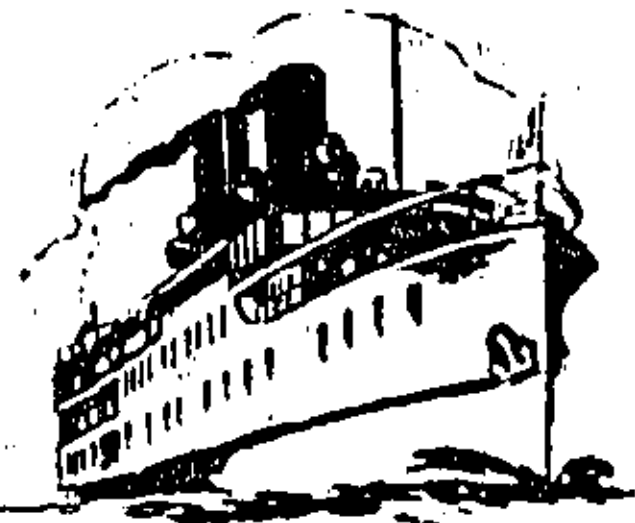
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	Lippe	Singapore, Belawan	Mar. 3
Manila	Odenkai	Manila	Feb. 28
Shanghai & Japan	Scharnhorst	N'hai, Yokohama, Kobe	Mar. 11
Shanghai, North China & Japan	Isar	Shanghai, Dairen, Taku & Tsingtao	Mar. 4
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WORK AMONG PRISONERS

Interesting Talk By Mrs. Short

An interesting talk on work among prisoners was given by Mrs. Short at the fortnightly meeting of St. Andrew's Mothers' Union held yesterday.

After referring to the origin of prison reform, the speaker said that in the prisons of to-day everything is done to give the prisoners opportunities to learn to become good citizens and to make a fresh start in life on their release.

Mrs. Short said that while she was at Home in 1935 she was able to visit Holloway Gaol and the Bostal for Girls at Aylesbury. At Holloway Gaol, which looks like a huge castle, everything was beautiful, clean and bright. After the routine work of the prison, voluntary workers went in daily to teach the women. There were classes for music, history, etc., and also instruction was given in such subjects as toy-making, leather-work and embroidery. The Bostal Institution at Aylesbury provided a three-year course for girls, most of whom had been arrested for petty theft. There was a fine library and gymnasium in addition to chapels and work-rooms. Each year the girls were given three months' training in laundry-work, cooking and house-work, dress-making, etc.

The speaker recalled that in Hong Kong about ten years ago Lady Southern called together a committee of ladies to visit the women convicts in the old Victoria gaol, and to teach them needle-work, reading and writing. In 1932 the women's prison at Laichikok was opened. She referred to good work done with the help of some workers from the Kowloon Union Church and from St. Andrew's.

In conclusion she said that one would like to be able to do more for these women, but it was not easy. When one sees the pleasure it gives them to do the work, and the change in their outlook on life, one feels that it is a piece of work that is worth doing.

The meeting was opened by Rev. Higgs, and a letter from Miss L. Hollis of the Victoria Home and Orphanage was read, thanking the Union for their kind donation of \$25.

COMBINED MANOEUVRES IN HONG KONG

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for in addition to the four Regiments and the Volunteer Defence Corps, an additional Battalion, the Inniskilling Regiment is now on its way here from Singapore and they will also participate.

The Royal Air Force has always taken a prominent part in these mimic wars and this year they will again be prominently identified with the operations. Although H.M.S. Eagle, which is relieving H.M.S. Hermes, will not be here in time, No. 230 Flying Boat Squadron, from Singapore, will be here, under the command of the Air Officer Commanding, Far East, Air Commodore A. W. Tedder. He will co-operate with Major General A. W. Bartholomew as Fortress Commander while Wing Commander W. A. K. Dalsell, O.C. Kai Tak, will command the defending aerial forces. The Volunteer Air Arm will form part of Redland's defences, the attack being left in the hands of the visiting Squadron from Singapore.

It is understood that some 25 ships will take part in the operations. The Bluebell Forces, who will play the role of the enemy, will comprise about one-third of the Hong Kong Garrison, the Inniskilling Regiment and the majority of the ships that took part in the Singapore manoeuvres, and they will be under the command of an officer to be selected by Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Little, who led the attack on Singapore.

The exercises will be carried out under the direction of the General Officer Commanding, Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, and from the Naval authorities. It is learned that the following ships will take part:—

Crusiers: Cumberland (Flagship), Suffolk, Berwick, Capetown, Danae and Adventure.

Destroyers: Decoy, Dainty, Defender, Diana, Delight, Duchess, Diamond, Daring, Westcott.

FULL BUSINESS SESSION

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People's National Assembly, which is tentatively proposed to be held on October.

At the recent Fenghua conference, General Chiang Kai-shek and his colleagues proposed to shift the troops of General Chang Hsueh-liang from Shensi to Kansu while those of General Yang Hu-cheng will be transferred from Sianfu to north of the Wei River. Eastern Shensi is to be garrisoned by Nanking forces.

The conference also decided to continue the drive against the Communists in Northern Shensi. These suggestions will be adopted in due course by the present session.

ABSENT CHIEFS

Nanking, Feb. 15.

Leading provincial military chiefs have refrained from attending the third plenary session of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee, which opened this morning here. Absenting military heads who are members of this Committee include Generals Li Tsung-jen and Pei Chung-hsi of Kwangsi; General Yen Hsi-shan of Shansi; General Sung Chieh-yuan of the Hopei-Chahar Provincial Council; General Liu Hsiang of Szechuen and General Han Fu-chu of Shantung.

These provincial warlords prefer to watch developments in their respective provinces, their main interest being whether the session will adopt a strong policy towards Japan.

Generals Li and Pei have indicated their intention not to go to Nanking, although up to last night the government news reports insisted that they would fly here from Kweilin.

(Union News.)

SIANFU REVOLT ARRESTS

Division Commander Executed

Shanghai, Feb. 16.

All ringleaders in the counter-revolt of Feb. 2 have been arrested except Sun Ming-shui, Pai Feng-hsiang and Shen Shiao-chung, who escaped from Sianfu.

General Kao Fu-yuan, commander of the 105th Division has been executed.

Pending the arrival of General Wang Shu-chang, new Pacification Commissioner of Kansu, General Yu Hsueh-chung has been ordered to supervise the transfer of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang's former troops to Kansu.

General Yu is at present in Sianfu conferring with Mr. Ku Tau-tung.

(Union News.)

CHINA'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS JAPAN

Ambassador's Enquiry

Nanking, Feb. 16.

Mr. Shigeru Kawagoe, Japanese Ambassador, called on Mr. Wang Ciang-wei, Chairman of the Central Political Council at 4 p.m. yesterday and enquired from him what would be the attitude of the Third Plenary Session towards Japan.

Mr. Wang is reported to have assured Ambassador Kawagoe that Nanking's policy towards Japan based on conciliation and friendship will remain unchanged.

The Japanese ambassador left at 5 p.m. and appeared satisfied with his first interview with Mr. Wang.

(Union News.)

AIR SERVICE TO LANCHOW

Shanghai, Feb. 16.

The Eurasia Aviation Corporation is resuming service to Lanchow on Thursday.

Work on the extension of the Lunghai Railway beyond Paochi in Western Shensi as far as Tientshan, Eastern Kansu, which was interrupted by the Sianfu revolt, will be started again shortly.

(Reuter.)

Sloops: Sandwich, Falmouth, Lowestoft.

Submarines: Medway (tender), Osiris, Oswald, Odin, Otus, Olympus, Orpheus, Perseus, Parthian, Phoenix, Pandora, Rainbow, Rover, Regent, Regulus.

SINGAPORE BASE

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would borrow £400,000,000 for the cost of armament, had pitched Government defence policy and foreign policy to the whitest heat of political controversy at Home and abroad.

Where is the world heading for in this desperate competition in armaments? asked Mr. Hodson.

"As I see it, and this is only my own opinion, at worst we are all heading for catastrophe," said Mr. Hodson. "At best, and this is only my own viewpoint, we are getting it seems to me nowhere."

Mr. Neville Chamberlain had stated that the request was only a preliminary measure and that not as much as £400,000,000 would have to be borrowed, though possibly it might be more. Great Britain's bill for defence in this financial year would be about £190,000,000.

Germany had spent as much in two years on armaments as Great Britain had proposed to spend in five, but, of course, Germany had started at a lower level.

In the world in which we live to-day it was important to pursue the policy of collective security but obviously this would not work unless the collective forces were superior. Countries that could not contribute their own strength were liabilities.

IMPORTANCE OF AIR DEFENCES

News from the Dominions was that they realised their responsibilities and had voted substantial increases in their arms budget. It was an upward start in a definite direction; firstly, towards a more vivid recognition of the growing importance of air defences, and, secondly, towards a great self-sufficiency in supplies for defence.

They were making their own aeroplanes and mechanical equipment. This tendency would continue, and Mr. Hodson believed that it was a sound one.

Mr. Hodson then referred to the Singapore Base as mentioned above and concluded by saying that the international defence of one member was the international defence of all. We must make up our minds, said Mr. Hodson, what we are willing to do to carry out this principle of international collective security, but first of all we must know what we are able to do.

URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

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Food factory, No. 93 Caine Road, ground floor.

Food shop (fruit and vegetables), No. 59 Des Voeux Road Central, ground floor.

The following applications for licences were refused:—

Food factory, No. 113 Wuhu Street, ground floor.

Food factory, No. 58 Second Street, ground floor.

Food preserving, No. 538 Canton Road, ground floor.

Food preserving, No. 195a Reclamation Street, ground floor.

Laundry, No. 195 Hennessy Road, ground floor.

Permission to keep a large number of goats on the Crown Land, Tai Kok Tsui Road, opposite the Kwong Hip Loong Shipyard, was also refused.

The regular returns were laid on the table.

The following is the list of licences granted by the Urban Council between February 2 and February 15 inclusive:—Food factories 3, Food shops 2, Food preserving establishments 4, Milk shops 4, Swine 41, Bake houses 2, Laundries 2, Eating houses 3, Restaurants 3.

HEALTH RETURNS

One case of diphtheria, one of enteric fever, one of chicken pox and one of dysentery were reported to the Health Authorities for the 24 hours ended on Monday. The Health Returns for the week ended on February 13 shows that there were two cases (fatal) of small-pox, nine (four deaths) of diphtheria, one of scarlet fever, one (one death) of enteric fever, one of measles, two of chicken pox, three (fatal) of cerebro-spinal fever, five (two deaths) of dysentery, one of puerperal fever and 89 deaths from tuberculosis.

THE NALDERA

The s.s. "NALDERA" bringing Home Mails is due in Hong Kong about 7 p.m. to-morrow, and will sail for Shanghai and Japan at 2 a.m. on Friday.

FOREIGN MAILS

The Public are reminded that the postage on Printed Papers, Commercial Papers, Samples and Small Packets must be fully prepaid. Insufficiently prepaid Printed Papers etc. are NOT forwarded.

Letters, Postcards and Samples for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

FROM	PER	Due
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 6th February.	R.M.A. Dorado	17th Feb.
Calcutta and Straits	Kelung	17th Feb.
Shanghai and EUROPE via Siberia (London date, 28th Jan.)	Ons. Bomo	17th Feb.
Manila	Kwa. of Ada	17th Feb.
Haiphong	Canlon	17th Feb.
Calcutta and Straits	Nailda	18th Feb.
Australia and MANILA	Nailda	18th Feb.
Straits and EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 21st Jan. and London Parcels—London date, 14th January	Nailda	18th Feb.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kelung	19th Feb.
Hankow and Swatow	Kelung	19th Feb.
Straits	G. G. Paul, Doreau	19th Feb.
Haiphong	Corfu	19th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	Fuku. Roussel	19th Feb.
Saigon	Tilan	19th Feb.
Straits	Agapenor	22nd Feb.
Shanghai	Agapenor	22nd Feb.
Straits	Agapenor	22nd Feb.
Japan	Le P. a. Maru	22nd Feb.
Shanghai	Eridan	22nd Feb.
Straits	Yankuni	22nd Feb.
Japan	Nakodetsu Maru	25th Feb.
Straits	Tokio Maru	25th Feb.
Amoy	Tokio Maru	25th Feb.
Calcutta and Straits	Swain	25th Feb.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Hooper	26th Feb.
Hai (San Francisco, 6th February)	Horuwa Maru	26th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	Kama Maru	26th Feb.
Japan	Tokio Maru	27th Feb.
Japan	Tango Maru	27th Feb.
Straits	Swain	27th Feb.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Hooper	27th Feb.
Hai (San Francisco, 4th February)	Horuwa Maru	27th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	Kama Maru	27th Feb.
Japan	Tokio Maru	27th Feb.
Japan	Tango Maru	27th Feb.
Straits	Swain	27th Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

FOR	PER	DATE AND TIME
Wednesday, 17th		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fuku. Maru	8.30 A.M.
Kochow via Swatow	Yankuni	8.30 A.M.
Fort Bayard	Wing W.	1.00 P.M.
Swatow	Haiphong	2.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Torngoen	3.30 P.M.
Amoy	Taiwan	3.30 P.M.
Straits	Has Lee	4.30 P.M.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Egypt and EUROPE via Brindisi—due Brindisi 12th March	Ons. Bomo	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 4.15 P.M. Let. 5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Foochow	Fuku. Maru	5.00 P.M.
Thursday, 18th		
Air Mail for Canton and Straits	C.N.A.C. plane	Reg. Noon Let. 12.30 P.M.
Bangkok	Protea	2.00 P.M.
Shanghai *Japan and EUROPE via Siberia	Nailda	2.00 P.M.
Amoy	Kelung	5.00 P.M.
Japan	Atsuta Maru	5.00 P.M.
Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and North China (via Shanghai).	C.N.A.C. plane	Kowloon P.O. Reg. 18th, 5.00 P.M. Let. 18th, 5.30 P.M. Shanghai P.O. Reg. 18th, 5.00 P.M. Let. 18th, 5.30 P.M. G.P.O. Reg. 18th, 5.00 P.M. Let. 18th, 5.30 P.M. G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 18th, 5.00 P.M. Let. 18th, 5.30 P.M.
Letters for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 1st March.	R.M.A.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 18th, 5.00 P.M. Let. 18th, 5.30 P.M.
Letters for "Australia by Imperial Airways Service"—due Darwin, 23rd February.	R.M.A. Dorado	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 18th, 5.00 P.M. Let. 18th, 5.30 P.M.
Friday, 19th		
Amoy	Tisbadat	8.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan and EUROPE via Siberia	Fuku. Maru	1.30 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 19th March	Corfu	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 18th, 5.00 P.M. Let. 18th, 5.30 P.M.
Saturday, 20th		
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 1st March.	Corfu	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.30 A.M. Let. 10.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Canton	2.00 P.M.
Foochow via Swatow	Foochow	5.00 P.M.
Sunday, 21st		
Hokow, Fakuhi and Haiphong	Kwangchow	8.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kiangsu	9.00 A.M.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	9.00 A.M.
Monday, 22nd		
Amoy	Kwangchow	2.30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A. Central and South America and EUROPE via Vancouver, B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver, B.C. 13th March and EUROPE via Siberia	Emp. of Japan	Par. 22nd, 5.00 P.M. Let. 22nd, 5.15 A.M. Let. 23rd, 10.00 A.M.
Tuesday, 23rd		
Air Mail for "France-Orient Service"—due Marseilles, 7th March.	Eridan	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 A.M. Let. 10.00 A.M.
Saigon, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 26th March	Eridan	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 A.M. Let. 9.30 A.M.

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